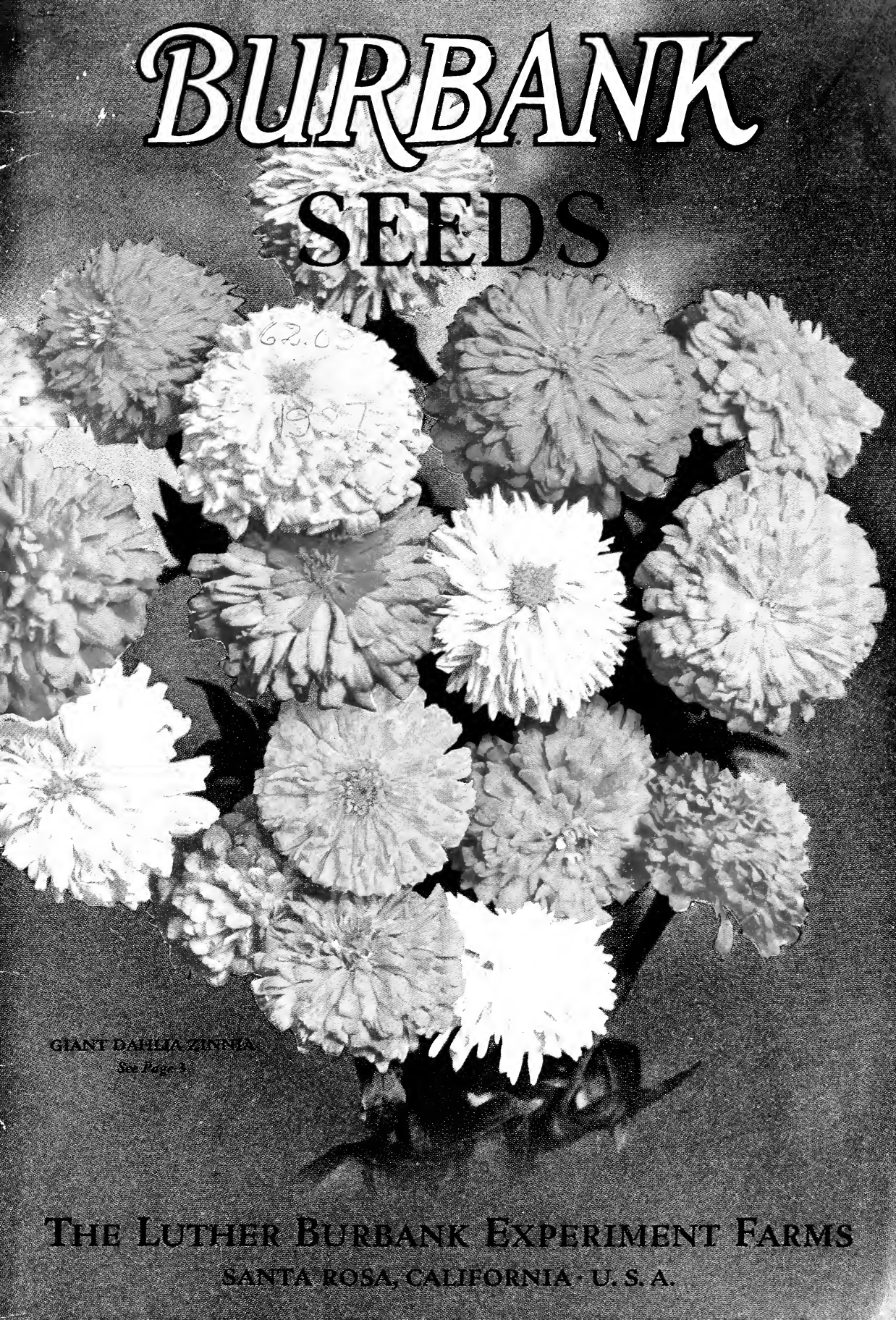


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# BURBANK SEEDS



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THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS  
SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA • U. S. A.

# *Luther Burbank's Own Book*

AN ABSORBING, DRAMATIC, COLORFUL SUMMARY OF THE LIFE, WORK,  
AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MASTER OF PLANT LIFE  
IS CONTAINED IN

## *The Harvest of the Years*

By LUTHER BURBANK  
with WILBUR HALL

*Completely Illustrated*

By a fortunate and happy chance Luther Burbank consented, just a few months before his last illness, to collaborate with Mr. Hall on the writing of a book which would tell the story of the life and achievements of the Plant Wizard.

This document was not released for book publication until after Mr. Burbank's death.

It is his last word to the world: a chatty, informal, humorous, human document, setting forth the things about Luther Burbank that his friends and admirers have most wanted to know, but that were, until this volume was projected, known only to his most intimate friends and to his family, because of his modesty and reticence about himself.

Giving, as it does, a résumé of a naturalist's life, methods, ideals, difficulties, triumphs, and defeats, and containing, as it does, his philosophy of life, it is certain to be one of the outstanding books of 1927.

A novelist says of the book: "This absorbing volume reads like romance and biography combined."

An editor says: "'The Harvest of the Years' is a noteworthy contribution to the intimate papers of our times."

An artist says: "The book might well have been called 'A Naturalist Looks at Life.'"

THE HARVEST OF THE YEARS (*fully illustrated*), postpaid \$4; to foreign countries \$4.25, postpaid.

THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS,  
SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA, U. S. A.





1849

*James Eastman*

1926

# Carrying On for Luther Burbank



WHEN, after a brief illness, Luther Burbank passed away, April 11, 1926, our mail was flooded with this inquiry:

"Is his work to be carried on?"

The answer to this question was the most important his family had to decide. Arising as it did in the middle of the planting season for this year it was a question that had to be answered immediately. The conclusion reached was that the seeds and bulbs he had set aside, before his illness, should be planted as he would have planted them, according to the field plans he had prepared, also before he was taken sick.

With the staff of helpers he had built up, consisting of men who had been intimately associated with his work for years, this progress was followed.

The importance of this Bulletin to flower lovers and the makers of gardens will be apparent. In its pages are contained the final offerings from these Farms. These include all Mr. Burbank's varieties of recent years and also new varieties never before released. They are his last contributions to the gardens of the earth.



No one can "carry on the work of Luther Burbank." All we could do as regards his seed and bulb business was to follow out the plans he had made for 1926 and for this Bulletin; that much we have done.

Regarding the perpetuation of his work of plant-breeding and experimentation, his own wishes have been followed and his own plans carried out. To this end Mrs. Burbank has offered to transfer Mr. Burbank's experiments, planting plans, and existing experimental trees and plants, together with ample land and equipment for research and experimentation, to the Leland Stanford University of California. The University has expressed a strong desire to accept the offer, and will do so if and when an endowment can be raised to make possible the fulfillment of the plan contemplated.



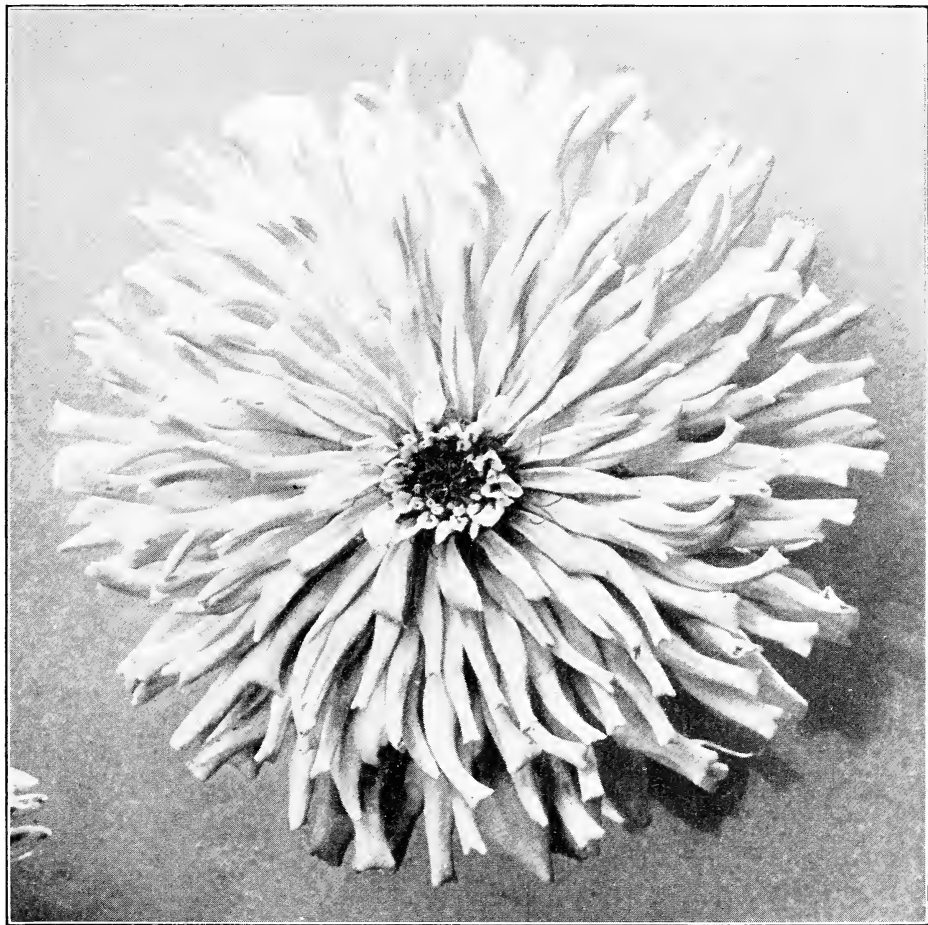
Following Mr. Burbank's lifelong policy, the business done under this Bulletin will be by mail only, with no agents or representatives, and for cash. All prices given *include* postage. *We prepay all transportation charges.*

THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS  
SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA, U. S. A.

## *The Luther Burbank Dahlia Zinnias*

Our cover for this Bulletin features the greatest all-summer flower Mr. Burbank ever developed—his Dahlia-flowered Zinnias. The result of his twenty years of work with the zinnia is an offering this year unparalleled in the history of the zinnia trade.

These flowers challenge the resources of the palette of the pastel artist: saffron, yellow, coral, apricot, wine, pale yellow, magenta, mauve, maroon, copper, plum, bronze, ivory, flesh, pome-



*The Luther Burbank Giant Dahlia Zinnia*

granate, dull vermilion, dull lacquer red, peach, orange-gold, amaranthine, brick-red, purple, burnt sienna, old rose, wisteria, lake.

The plants are sturdy, they bear profusely and practically all summer long, and they require less care than many flowers not nearly so gratifying to the garden lover.

GIANT DAHLIA ZINNIA—*Per packet, 30 cents; three for 75 cents; ten for \$2*

### BURBANK DWARF ZINNIAS

These friendly, jolly little zinnias are an exclusive Luther Burbank production; they come in bright shades of red, yellow, orange, gold and cream; low-growing and bearing a blanket of blossoms almost from frost to frost. Nothing could be more entrancing in a solid bed than these neat, tight, saucy, perky little rascals; they are splendid for borders; they cut to give you adorable, old-fashioned bouquets, quaint and always intimate.

BURBANK DWARF ZINNIAS—*Per packet, 25 cents; three for 60 cents*

## PERENNIAL GAILLARDIA

The *finest Gaillardia* we have chosen for this offering.

These members of the ever-popular daisy family have great flowers with red centers and yellow tips. There is nothing more showy and brilliant for corners and turns, or for a hedge. We can recommend this number on our flower-program with entire confidence and great enthusiasm.

PERENNIAL GAILLARDIA—*Per packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents*

## NIGELLA DAMASCENA

(*Love-in-a-Mist*)

Dainty, dancing and different, these extra select double mixed Nigellas bear charming blue and white double flowers in great numbers in foliage so delicate and lacy that it looks like the "mist" that is part of its old-fashioned name. The plants attain a height of 12 to 15 inches, are very sturdy, thriving even under adverse conditions, and bearing bountifully.

NIGELLA (*Special Price*)—*Per packet, 10 cents straight*

## PERENNIAL PEA

Have you a fence in your garden that is a problem? Is there one wall that needs a gracious and beautiful screen? Do you know the Luther Burbank strain of PERENNIAL PEA?

Hardy. Bears abundantly. Long-stemmed and lovely flowers, of a variety of shades. Obey that impulse! PERENNIAL PEA—*Packets, 25 cents each; three, 50 cents*



*Burbank Hybrid Watsonias*

## GEUM, MRS. BRADSHAW

Despite its homely name, GEUM (the Mrs. Bradshaw) is a charming and delightful flower, carnation-like in form, two inches in diameter; they thrive extremely well in a dry soil and prefer sunshine. For borders they are unexcelled. You will not be disappointed if you add one little packet of GEUM, Mrs. Bradshaw, to your order. GEUM (*the Mrs. Bradshaw*)—*Per packet, 15 cents; three for 40 cents*

## BURBANK HYBRID WATSONIAS

Luther Burbank always maintained that the Watsonia has characteristics recommending it fully as highly as the gladiolus, its cousin. It grows on a more graceful spike, has smaller and more interesting flowers, and is far more unconventional and friendly.

From his many acres of these hybrids, with which he worked for years, we are this year offering both bulbs and seeds; we strongly commend them to you in either form. In the medley pinks, white and lavenders predominate, but there are beautiful shades of yellow, orange, rose, crimson, purple, salmon and scarlet scattered through the whole mixture. We believe the Watsonia would be very popular if better known, and to encourage planting have made a low price, quality considered, and the fact that they are Mr. Burbank's own creations from a very ordinary sort of plant.

WATSONIAS—*Seeds, per packet, 50 cents; three for \$1. Bulbs, each \$1; three for \$2*

## THE MEXICAN POPPY

(*Argemone "Chicalote"*)

Here is a poppy that will bloom all summer, with three-inch flowers of the most entrancing creamy white, deep yellow and rosy crimson, and with pale green spiny foliage with silver-veined leaves. A perfectly charming flower, little known to most garden-lovers, with which Mr. Burbank worked for many years.

We promise you the keenest delight in this poppy!

ARGEMONE "CHICALOTE"—MEXICAN POPPY—*Packet, 25 cents; three for 50 cents*

## SNAPDRAGON

(*Antirrhinum*)

These are specially selected and mixed BURBANK FARMS seed with added strains giving you the greatest and most desirable variations.

Pale yellow, soft blush pink, white, orange-red, rose, amber and other shades make this a very attractive flower. Either massed or in tiered effects the snapdragon is almost an essential to your list.

SNAPDRAGON—*Mixed packets, 15 cents each; two for 25 cents*

## DOUBLE-CRESTED COSMOS

A remarkable Cosmos, having a high, cushion-like center of variegated color, the outer row (crest) is composed of broad "ray" petals. For cutting this Cosmos exceeds all others in grace and beauty: try it either in a huge, solid mass, or delicately placed, after the Japanese custom, in a medium-sized bowl containing a "frog." This seed mixed crimson, pink and white.

DOUBLE-CRESTED COSMOS—*Per packet, 20 cents*

## THE NEW EVER-BLOOMING POPPY

Several years ago Luther Burbank succeeded in crossing the perennial Oriental poppy, which was unsatisfactory as to size and quality of its blooms, with the annual Peony-flowering poppy, which had every desirable characteristic except the power to live over one season. The result of this cross, which had been attempted many times before and which had always failed, was his NEW EVERBLOOMING POPPY.

The NEW EVERBLOOMING has gorgeous crimson, scarlet and orange blooms as large as big saucers, of the most lovely texture and quality, and borne on very long, graceful stems. It is a riot of beauty!

And UNLIKE ALL OTHER POPPIES this one blooms steadily almost throughout the year.

THE NEW EVERBLOOMING POPPY — *Per packet, 50 cents*



*The New Everblooming Poppy*



## CACTUS PITAJAYA

(Pronounced Pita-hä' yab)

Luther Burbank was one of the first horticulturists in America to realize the beauty of the native cactus of the Southwest for our gardens. He worked for half a century with cactus and found among the innumerable varieties many that can be easily grown and that repay the garden-lover in interest and beauty.

CACTUS PITAJAYA, a native of Mexico, grows in tall, column-like clubs, very thorny and unusual, which bear enormous fragrant pure white blossoms.

CACTUS PITAJAYA will endure weather DOWN TO 10 DEGREES ABOVE ZERO. Do not send for this seed if your weather gets colder than that! It is easily raised from seed and, once started, is almost impossible to kill.

CACTUS PITAJAYA—*Packet, \$1*



*Cactus Pitajaya*

## AQUILEGIA—NEW HYBRIDS

(*Columbine*)

Whoever called COLUMBINE aquilegia surely never saw these dainty, dancing maids of the garden nodding and pirouetting in a gentle breeze, and ravishing the eye with their airiness and grace!

Luther Burbank's COLUMBINES have rare loveliness — soft, charming colors; tall, straight stems; fern-like leaf arrangements, and a value as cut flowers that only a few know—but that the few use to delight and make envious their guests.

Our COLUMBINES range in color: red, yellow, orange, rose, blue, purple, cerise, white, salmon and mauve.

COLUMBINE—*Per packet, 20 cents; three for 50 cents*



*Dimorpotheca Hybrids*

## DIMORPOTHECA

(*African Daisy Hybrids*)

Here is a member of the Daisy family lovely to behold and a constant delight because of the variations found in its profuse blossoms. It comes in colors such as salmon, pink, yellow, golden and waxy white, with a center that may be self, or darker or lighter, or that may be two-colored. Enormous bearer of great, big flowers. Like most of the daisy family, is superb for cutting. AN EXCEPTIONAL FLOWER!

DIMORPOTHECA—*Per packet, 15 cents*

# The Combustion Plant

(*Amaranthus*) Illustrated, in full color, on back cover

Four years ago Mr. Burbank produced, on his Santa Rosa Farm, a new *amaranthus* plant that intoxicated even him, accustomed though he was to amazing developments in the plant world.

He called it, for the moment, the fire-plant. It came up a dark red, grew to a height of a foot or fourteen inches, bush-like and strong, then, as the days warmed toward summer, it began to turn to a brilliant, fiery red. Day by day this fiery foliage increased, the darker early leaves turning bright with the new growth.

Presently it was a bush four feet high and three feet across at the base "like a gigantic dahlia of a surpassingly brilliant, iridescent color never before seen outside an electric furnace, being of a clear, glistening, fiery, rosy crimson, increasing in size and abundance until the whole plant is illuminated with huge, poinsettia-like tufts of flaming fire which can be seen for half a mile."

Since that description was written by Mr. Burbank *Amaranthus Combustion* has been sold into almost every quarter of the globe and everywhere has been the wonder and admiration of all beholders.

It is very easily grown, requires no care, and is so striking and effective as a hedge, a border, in masses or as individual plants that it would be difficult to make the reader believe the words! See color cut on Back Cover. It can only hint at the beauty of *Combustion*!

AMARANTHUS COMBUSTION—Single packet, 50 cents; three for \$1; ten for \$3

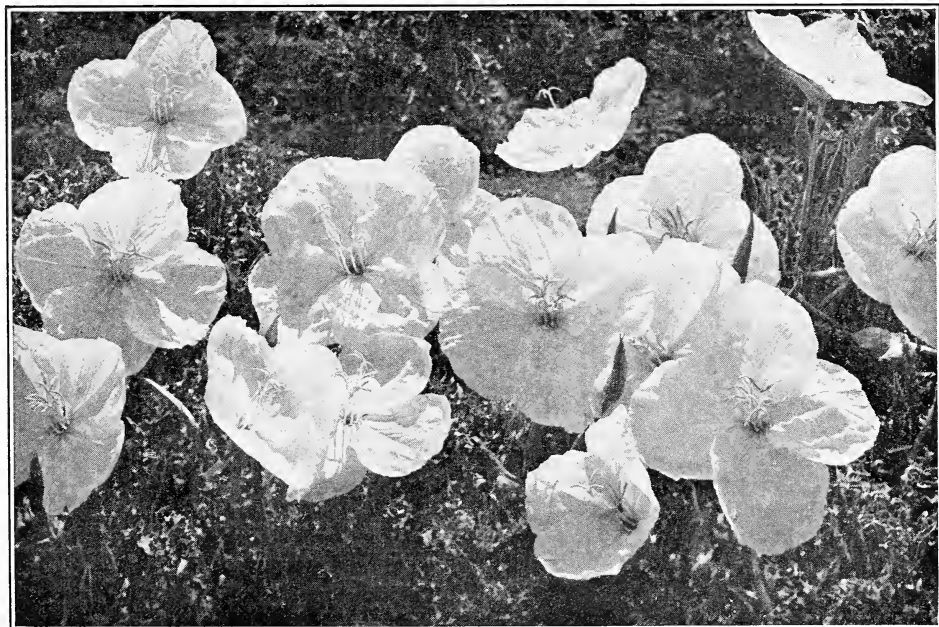
## EVENING PRIMROSE

(*Oenothera Burbanki*—"America")

Luther Burbank himself called these gracious blooms "Handkerchiefs spread on a lawn."

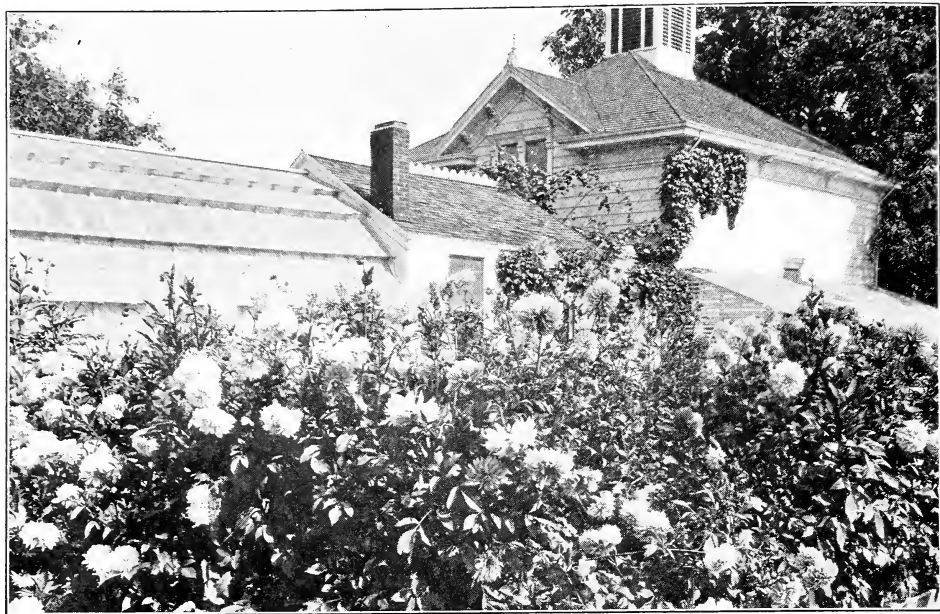
Of the purest white, the Burbank Primroses are of enormous size, some of the blossoms actually measuring eighteen inches in circumference. They come out from their naps in snowy loveliness in the cool of the afternoon, remain open all night, and in the morning close only when the sun gets hot. THE EVENING PRIMROSE (BURBANK) is a dry-soil plant, very vigorous and requiring practically no care; they bloom with prodigal profusion.

EVENING PRIMROSE—Per packet, each 25 cents



*Evening Primrose*





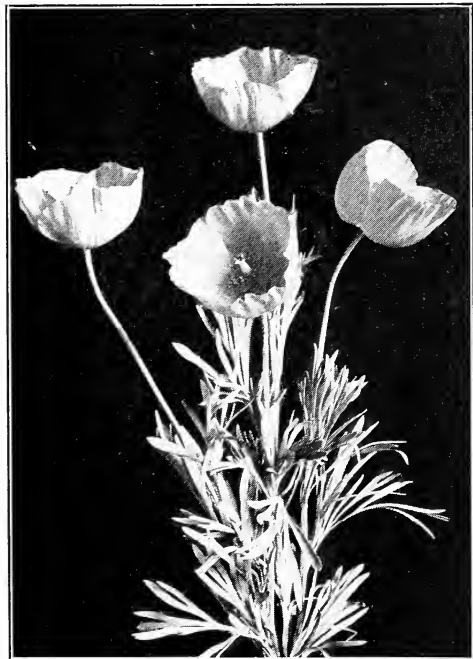
*Burbank Select Double Dahlia in the Experimental Gardens*

## DOUBLE DAHLIA

DAHLIAS of exquisite colors and beautiful forms—as beautiful as any ever grown—prize winners in many shows—and with variations (from the seed) that will surprise you with something of a quality unheard of and undreamed of before.

(Double Dahlias of the highest-bred types do not produce seeds. The ones here offered come from *nearly perfect* flowers and sometimes come semi-double. But always they come in interesting variety of size and shape—and here we offer you a mixture as to color and shade.)

DOUBLE DAHLIAS (*Select Mixture*) — Packet, 50 cents; three for \$1.25



*Hunnemannia*

## HUNNEMANNIA

(*"The Mexican Golden Cup"*)

Perhaps because of the beauty of this flower it has a number of names, among them the Santa Barbara Poppy and the Giant Tulip Poppy. It is a rich, golden yellow, large flower, strong, graceful stems, foliage like the California poppy, and, when cut, **WILL KEEP AS MUCH AS A WEEK**, in perfect condition. Excellent for beds or borders; nice in a mixed planting. In fact, you must have it!

HUNNEMANNIA—Per packet, 20 cents; three for 50 cents

## MIMULUS—Tigrinus Grandiflora

(*The Monkey Flower*)

Those who make a study of flowers have a great advantage over those who are too busy or careless to do so. For example, they have the advantage of knowing all about Mimulus! Lovely plants, with bright green foliage, and charming lily-like or bell-like flowers, enormous and prodigal, tigered and spotted with red, orange, pink and purple shades.

MIMULUS—Packet, 20 cents; three for 50 cents

## CALENDULA (WINTER MARIGOLD)

You don't need to pronounce it. Just write the name on your order blank and you will receive seed which may be sown early and every 4 to 6 weeks afterward for a while, and transplanting done so that you will get scarlet-golden flowers the year through—even in winter—if you will transplant to pots in the late fall and put them in the window.

CALENDULA (*Winter Marigold*)—*Packet, extra large, 20 cents; three for 50 cents*

## LILIUM REGALE

The new, delightfully fragrant importation from Western China that is beginning to rival the Easter Lily and that may some day supplant it.

Waxy white and beautifully formed, the great blossoms have a faint tinge of primrose yellow in the throat, while the outsides of the petals have a deep rose blush.

The fragrance of LILIUM REGALE is superior, in the opinion of many connoisseurs, to that of any of the large lilies. It is mild, elusive and unforgettable.

LILIUM REGALE is *hardy*, grows to a height of four feet and upwards, and bears from half a dozen to a dozen great blooms to the spike. The lily is graceful, gracious and truly *regale*—hence the name.

Luther Burbank himself said: "I consider this the finest lily I know. It is most generous, easily cultivated, and certainly the most fragrant of them all!"

We are fortunate in being able to offer here a beautiful, clean, healthy stock—the result of Mr. Burbank's planning to make a feature of LILIUM REGALE this year. WE CONSIDER IT ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT OFFERINGS!

LILIUM REGALE—*Seed per packet, 50 cents. Large Bulbs, each 75 cents; three for \$2*  
*Medium Bulbs, five for \$2.50; ten for \$4; 100 for \$35*



*Lilium Regale*

# Plumed Knight

(*Celosia—Plumosa*)

It was difficult this year to decide which of Luther Burbank's last developments in the world of flowers was most worthy of being featured in this Bulletin; close to the top for all of us was the *Celosia*, which we have named

## THE PLUMED KNIGHT

This development from the old Cockscomb is undoubtedly one of the outstanding achievements of the Plant Master.

It grows in the form of a well-formed bush, though with wide variations in character, very rapidly and freely, reaches a height of two to four feet, and is hardy and healthy.

Almost from its first few days of life in the garden it begins to spread iridescent, sparkling, velvety plumes, like coarser pampas-grass, and these plumes increase in number and size as the days go on until, in early summer, THE PLUMED KNIGHT is a blazing, glowing torch of the most graceful, lovely and varied plumes, some almost as round as a ball, others like an ostrich plume, like a torch, like a small pine branch, like colored bird-of-Paradise feathers, like the most delicate lace-work or like pompons of silk. Moreover, out of these plumes grow the oddest and most beautiful cockscombs or clusters like some exotic flower, entirely different from the plumes, but of the same color in each case.

When all this is said THE PLUMED KNIGHT catches the interest. But the texture, grace and beauty of this foliage-like plume is nothing—is lost sight of and forgotten—*when you see the colors*.

Artists who have examined it have been enthusiastic and unanimous in their praise of it, but not one of them has ever been able to name a single color seen in THE PLUMED KNIGHT! It is, of course, impossible, since that is true, to give you more than a faint hint of the shades in a word picture. The accompanying color plate fails. The colors are not only indescribable but they cannot be reproduced by any art known to man.

Probably this is because the magic and unmatched beauty of the color tones themselves is overlaid by a silvery shimmer that ravishes the eye but that refuses to be caught and named. Also there is in each color enough of some other color to force you to pause and reconsider when you are proposing to describe it. A brilliant cerise turned to wine; a deep and lusty wine clouded with crimson; a crimson touched with rose; a rose permeated with purple; a flaming scarlet magically imbued with the fire of a pigeon-blood ruby; a dull brick-red splashed with carmine and silver; an orange that is yellow and a yellow that is orange; a primrose yellow glowing with gold; a golden yellow impregnated with primrose . . . It is hopeless! What an artist cannot paint a mere reporter cannot sketch with words!

THE PLUMED KNIGHT is a Luther Burbank evolutionary production—no other so-called Cockscomb can compare with it. It may be used for hedgerows, borders, scattered through beds, given a bed all its own, planted at random on a wide lawn or a hillside, or sown freely in an open plot. It is inexpensive, too; one packet will give you a display in your small garden, three will supply the average need, and for extensive grounds or for estates a dozen will scatter the sunshine of THE PLUMED KNIGHT far and wide.

THE PLUMED KNIGHT—*Per packet, mixed colors, 25 cents; three for 50 cents; dozen packets, \$1.50*

## MIGNONETTE

Born in Egypt, Mignonette has traveled all over the world, graced queen's corsages, enriched the tables of the mighty, given its gracious perfume to the gardens of the great—and lent its charm and sweetness to the humble flower-beds of the poorest.

AND—we are this year offering you our own selection of the BEST Mignonette—the Golden Sunset; a magnificent golden yellow, an addition to the garden for its growing habit and with all the fragrance of the family.

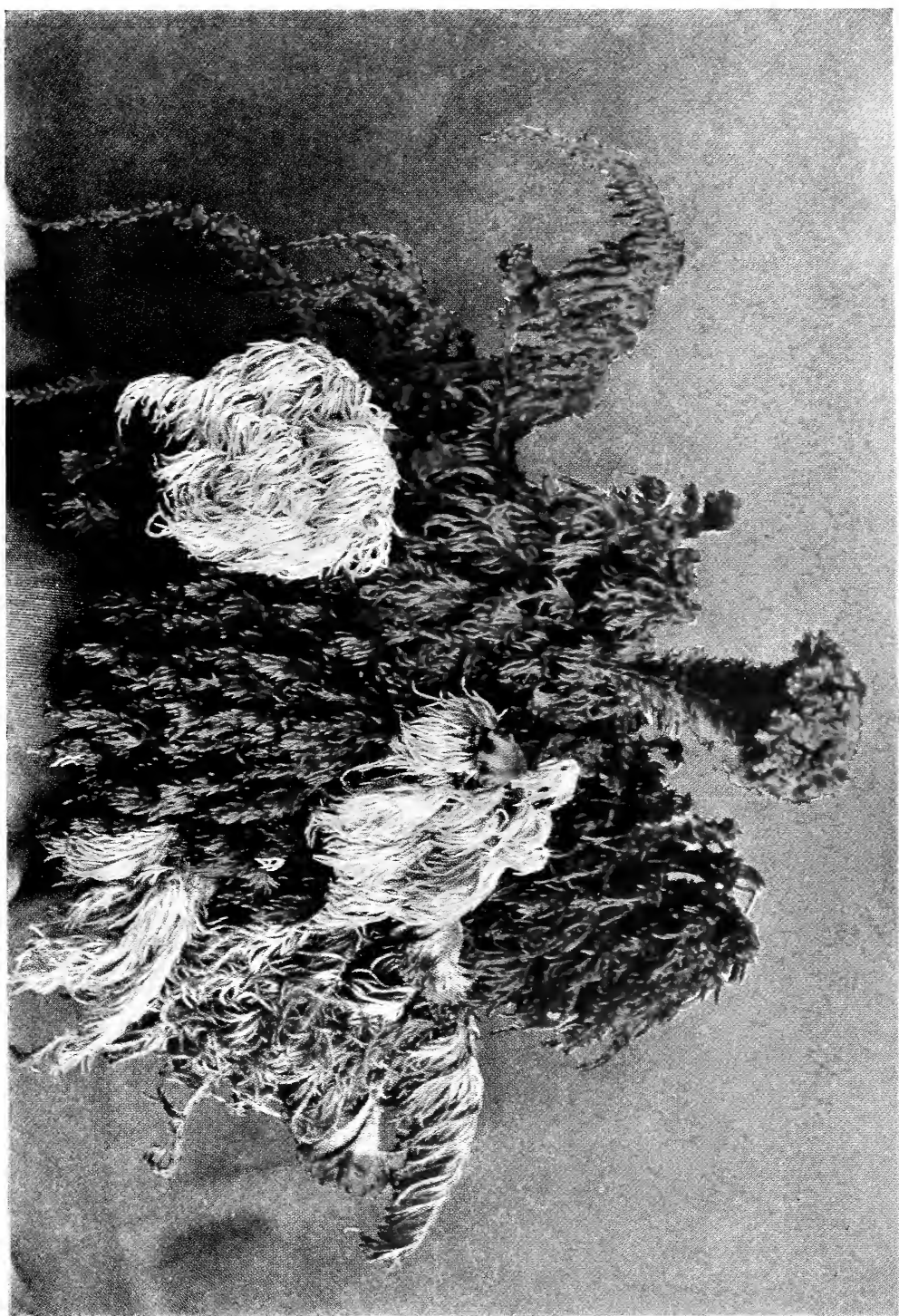
MIGNONETTE—*Per packet, 15 cents*

## CALENDULA CORONA

Luther Burbank wrote: "This is a new strain that I originated several years ago. The flowers are of all shades known in the *Calendula* and are generally surrounded by a little circlet-crown of secondary flowerets—hence the name *Corona* (crown)."

Distinctive and unusual—you cannot buy it elsewhere. Show your neighbors a Burbank *Calendula*!

CALENDULA CORONA—*Per packet, 15 cents*



*Luftschiff Bauern's Cassowary—The Plumed Knight*

## GLADIOLUS

A visitor to The Luther Burbank Experiment Farms in the fall of 1926, recalling his first sojourn at The Farms in 1892, said:

"I will never forget Mr. Burbank's gladiolus experiment rows at Sebastopol. I believe he had been working with the gladiolus either two or three years at that time, and he was emphatic in his statement that the time would come when the gladiolus would be as popular and highly developed as tulips and hyacinths were beginning to be then.

"His gladiolus were already beginning to show the results of his study and experimentation, but of course he had done nothing compared to what he did later, the results of which you have in the gardens this year. But he knew more about the gladiolus then, I am entirely convinced, than any man living."

That visit was made Mr. Burbank in 1892, or thirty-four years ago. In other words, Luther Burbank worked with the gladiolus for at least thirty-five years.

The crowning achievement of all those years we are now offering you in

### THE LUTHER BURBANK

some idea of the beauty of which may be gained from the accompanying color-photograph. No camera—no artist—could catch its evasive cherry pink; we must be content with little more than a hint of its rich and glorious tints.

Mr. Burbank pronounced this the best gladiolus ever produced by him. It was ready, by all standards except his own very high ones, for distribution in 1926, but he held it back to assure himself that it was all that his enthusiasm and pleasure found it to be. We are convinced that he did not deceive himself; we assert that the Luther Burbank will prove a sensational addition to the list of approved gladiolus. It is the one Mrs. Burbank thought worthy to be given his well loved name.



*The Luther Burbank*



THE LUTHER BURBANK is described in Mr. Burbank's field books as "delightful pure cherry-pink with crimson shadings and primrose yellow throat feathered with deep purplish crimson." The gardener who cultivated it wrote this description: "Best of all! Perpetual bloomer—very vigorous—brilliant, clear, light transparent crimson, the lower petals finely dotted with short dashes of cherry-crimson, shading lighter toward the throat."

The Luther Burbank produced last summer as many as 25 flowers to the spike, often with six open at a time. It is a great multiplier and grows to a height of three feet and up.

THE LUTHER BURBANK—*Bulbs, each \$7.50; smaller bulbs, \$5; bulblets, not more than twenty to each customer, ten for \$5*

## SIX OTHER NAMED VARIETIES

Out of dozens of new and unusual gladiolus, all perfected by Mr. Burbank in 1925, the following are considered by Mrs. Burbank entirely worthy of special emphasis and introduction as MERITORIOUS NEW NAMED GLADIOLUS.

### MARY ELLEN

MARY ELLEN is a gladiolus that those who love rare and exotic beauty will prefer above all others. Of orchid shade, its very wide petals and smiling open face, the lower petals pale yellow feathered with crimson and with a slender gold line down the middle, this gladiolus will grace any garden. Moreover the height is good, the plant sturdy and vigorous, and the flowers begin to bloom early. MARY ELLEN—*Bulbs, each \$6.50; bulblets, twelve for \$5.*

### GOOD MORNING

GOOD MORNING ought to be near the top of favorites. It is a big grower and a giant flower; grows to four feet in height with flowers five inches across.

GOOD MORNING is a salmon scarlet gladiolus, the lower petals feathered with crimson over a pale yellow ground, and with one stripe of deepest crimson. A wide open flower.

For sensational beauty, either in bed or vase, GOOD MORNING will give you a gladiolus unique and superb. GOOD MORNING—*Bulbs, each \$5; bulblets, five for \$2.50.*

### DOG-STAR

DOG-STAR will be a sensation in your garden. A light shade of scarlet. The flowers are lighter toward the center and from the throat comes a rich glow. Its name is derived from its unique star shape, two equilateral triangles overlaid.

DOG-STAR bulbs are limited in number, and we would be just as glad if you did not buy them. But you would be sorry. DOG-STAR—*Bulbs, each \$5; no bulblets.*

### NAVAJO

NAVAJO is so-called because it has in it the colors that the Navajo Indians of the Arizona deserts know and admire most highly. Its cherry-crimson and pale yellow are in desert rocks and sunsets.

NAVAJO is the richest cherry-crimson imaginable, shading to a lighter throat. The lower petals grow deeper crimson towards the throat, which is a pale yellow, with faint primrose penciling.

An extraordinary gladiolus! NAVAJO—*Bulbs, each \$5; bulblets, five for \$4.*

### BETTY JANE

BETTY JANE is named for Luther Burbank's little niece and companion. The name is given because this gladiolus Mrs. Burbank considers worthy of Betty, as the name is worthy of the gladiolus.

A very vigorous and fine multiplier, the BETTY JANE foliage droops gracefully. The flowers are five to six inches across—a rich deep crimson faintly striped with deeper crimson. The lower petals are feathered crimson on white ground. Very large wide petals; a magnificent gladiolus. Small bulbs, of which there is a limited number, are all that will be released. Because of this the price is made particularly attractive. BETTY JANE—*Bulbs, each \$4; bulblets, five for \$3.*

### BENETTA

BENETTA would be worth your having for its sturdiness, perfect shape of flower, and particularly for the fact that it blooms extra early. But we are urging you not to leave it from your list principally because of the rare and beautiful combination of its colors.

BENETTA has wide open flowers of salmon-scarlet lighter in the throat. The lower petals white overlaid with pale yellow faintly dotted with ruby. BENETTA—*Bulbs, each \$5; bulblets, six for \$5.*

## FIVE OTHER BURBANK GLADIOLUS

From our 1926 offerings we are this year offering again five varieties which proved extremely popular and were highly commended on all hands last year. Of these five gladiolus Mr. Burbank said in his 1926 Bulletin: "These have proved to be quite unusual and have the unbounded praise of all who have seen them."

Prices on these five varieties are fixed in each case on the basis of value, rarity, and the assured demand.

### ELENA

ELENA was a seedling last year from the well-known ELORA. It grows to four feet, extra early and a prolific bloomer. The very large white flowers have wide open petals, the lower two faintly shaded with crimson feathering on pale primrose ground.

ELENA—*Bulbs, each \$4; bulblets, twelve for \$2.50*

### PERLA

PERLA has enormous flowers and is unusually vigorous and healthy.

PERLA shows an open, flat flower of richest cherry crimson with a faint undertone of salmon. The lower petals are feathered deeper crimson with one pale yellow line.

PERLA—*Bulbs, \$3.50 each; bulblets, ten for \$3*

### SCARLET

SCARLET flaunts a pure, rich, glowing salmon-scarlet flower which lasts longer than most on the spike. The tall plants have a dark foliage, and grow vigorously.

SCARLET is our favorite of the five.

SCARLET—*Bulbs, each \$3.50; bulblets, each 50 cents*

### KIVA

KIVA is a wonderful gladiolus. Its flowers grow close on a double truss, twenty-one to the truss in cases, with eight or ten open at once. Vigorous and easy to grow, an abundant seeder and multiplier.

KIVA flowers are very large, of a rare shade of yellow-pink, one lower petal slightly striped and feathered cherry crimson with one pure gold stripe.

KIVA—*Bulbs, each \$3.50; bulblets, ten for \$3.50*

### ELORA

In answer to numerous requests and because of its very wide popularity we are bringing back to this Bulletin a gladiolus many believe to have been Mr. Burbank's greatest achievement in this line prior to last year—THE ELORA.

ELORA is a long spiked, early blooming variety, with enormous flowers on stiff, strong stems. In color it is a creamy white with rich creamy spots in the throat on the three lower petals, each spot overlaid with a feathering of American Beauty pink. Beyond a doubt ELORA is queen of the early varieties of Gladiolus! And Note Price!

ELORA—*Bulbs, each \$1.50; ten for \$10*



## A GLADIOLUS MEDLEY

The popularity of the GLADIOLUS has increased amazingly in the past few years. The quest for new and beautiful varieties engages scores of specialists. The 1927 offerings are unusually heavy, everyone putting out a list.

But we emphasize the importance to lovers of this beautiful flower, of our Luther Burbank Mixture—

### *The Sonoma Gladiolus Medley*

We consider this the greatest gladiolus miscellany ever offered.

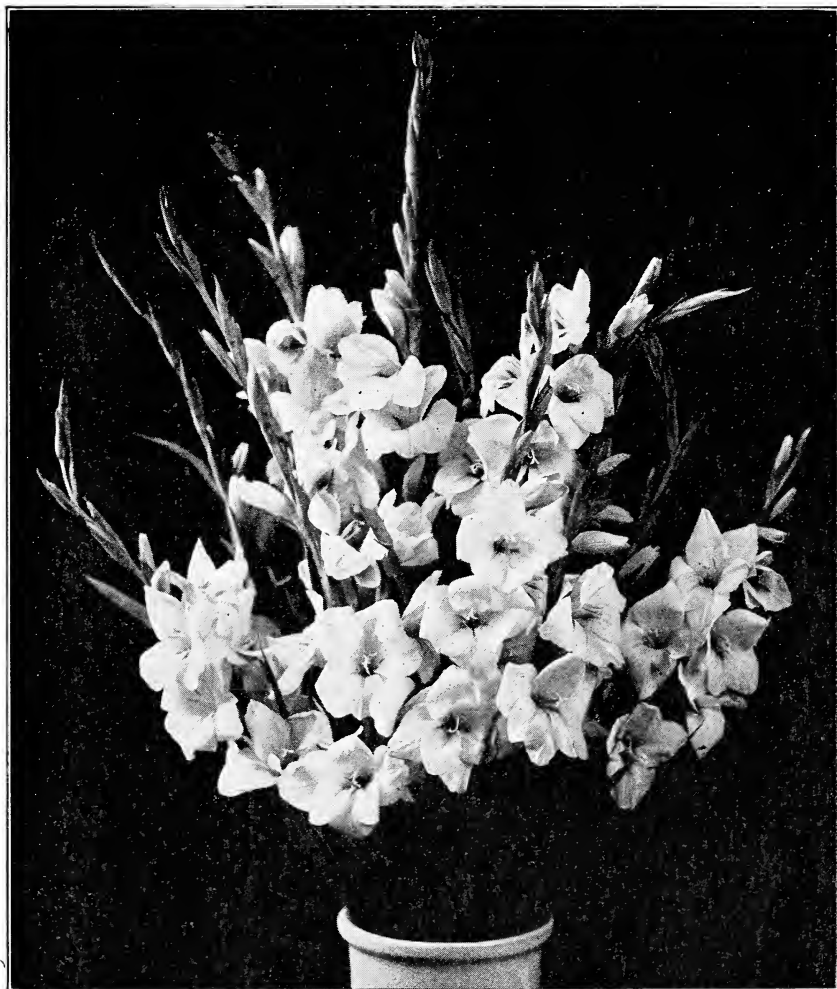


## THE MEDLEY'S STORY

The fact is that Mr. Burbank would have grown this year a stock from which he would have offered in 1928 a LIST OF PROBABLY TWENTY NEW AND OUTSTANDING GLADIOLUS. Rather than attempt to carry on the large project this plan would have entailed we chose to offer THE STOCK BULBS now instead of saving them for planting in 1927. For convenience in handling we have named this Medley for the county of California in which Luther Burbank lived, calling it

### *The Sonoma Gladiolus Medley*

Into this mixture have gone gladiolus eminently worthy of distribution as special named varieties of the finest kinds, a score of hybrids of extraordinary merit and beauty, three varieties offered for



*Gladiolus From Sonoma Medley*

the first time last year, and a surpassing collection of bulbs that represent the work of thirty years on the Gladiolus by Mr. Burbank, any one of which would prove

### *A Surprise and an Adventure to You!*

The SONOMA GLADIOLUS MEDLEY can be bought only as a mixture; there are no separate bulbs to be sold.

Whether you buy a dozen of these bulbs or a thousand you are absolutely warranted to receive the highest quality of gladiolus, many of them of such nature that any breeder would hoard them and raise a stock in order to send forth A NEW VARIETY next year!

## A Few Descriptions

From Mr. Burbank's own field books we take the following as sample descriptions of bulbs which we have included in this SONOMA GLADIOLUS MEDLEY:

A rich purple—self-color—very velvety dark buds—height  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet—vigorous.

Deep rose pink shading lighter toward throat—lower petals blotched cherry red, flaked crimson over pale yellow ground.

Fine, tall, early white—1 lower petal blotched scarlet over yellow ground.

Rich velvety fiery scarlet—1 lower petal blotched carmine on white ground—one stripe in center—open flower. SUN-PROOF.

Pale rosy salmon—crimson feathered on primrose ground; lower petals re-curved—very delicate. Good cut flower.

Large pale rose—lower petals primrose yellow over white ground, with one primrose yellow line. Double truss—fine substance.

Those are sample descriptions. All of the bulbs described and dozens equally as alluring, are in this MEDLEY.

THE SONOMA GLADIOLUS MEDLEY is priced according to the extraordinary value offered, with a liberal discount because of our desire to please you and to express to you something of the spirit that always actuated the Great Gardener himself.

### The Sonoma Gladiolus Medley Prices:

*Bulbs* (one inch and up, sure bloomers and fine multipliers)—100 for \$30; 50 for \$20; 10 for \$5, and 5 for \$3.50.

*Smaller bulbs* (below one inch, but all fine bulbs and THE BEST INVESTMENT)—100 for \$15; 50 for \$10; 10 for \$3, and 5 for \$2.

*Bulblets* (many will bloom the first year and all will produce bulbs for heavy bearing next season)—1000 for \$10; 500 for \$7.50; 100 for \$2.50.

NOTE: With each packet of *bulblets* we will this year mail authoritative directions for planting and cultivation that will help you to success.

*This Medley Offers You a Chance to Become a Gladiolus Partner of Luther Burbank*



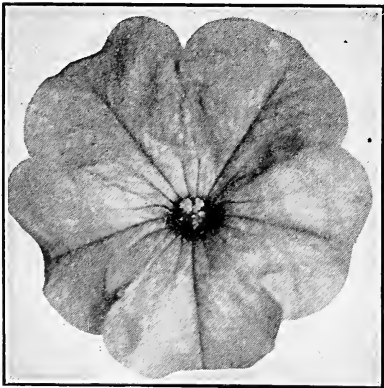
## GLADIOLUS FROM CHOICE SEED

Perhaps you would like to grow your own gladiolus; unusual care was taken this year to harvest the seed of our magnificent fields of this favorite flower of America.

WE OFFER SELECT MIXED GLADIOLUS SEED grown from the varieties named above and from the plants in the SONOMA MEDLEY—in short, the finest Gladiolus Seed on the market today. The Luther Burbank, Mary Ellen, Dog-Star, etc., Elena, Perla, etc., and all the marvels to be found in the MEDLEY.

OUR SPECIAL GLADIOLUS MIXED SEED—*Packet, 50 cents; three for \$1; ounce, \$12\**

\*11,200 seeds to ounce.



*Blue Petunia*

## THE BLUE PETUNIA

There are blue petunias and BLUE PETUNIAS!

Luther Burbank worked for a luminous, brilliant, deep blue in the petunia—one of the most generous bloomers of all the hardy and thrifty annuals we know. He might have stopped at any point in the last five or six years, because he had a blue petunia almost from the first.

But that was not Luther Burbank's method. He wanted a certain blue—clear, delicate, true, unique. He got it at last. This BLUE PETUNIA we will gladly put into competition with any blue flower known for beauty and charm.

A great bed of it is like the sky mirrored in a clear pool. Each individual petal is like velvet, delicately veined.

Best of all it has a delightful and unusual fragrance that permeates the whole garden. And it blooms all summer!

We cannot too strongly urge you to try this flower.

BLUE PETUNIA—*Per packet, 25 cents; three for 60 cents*

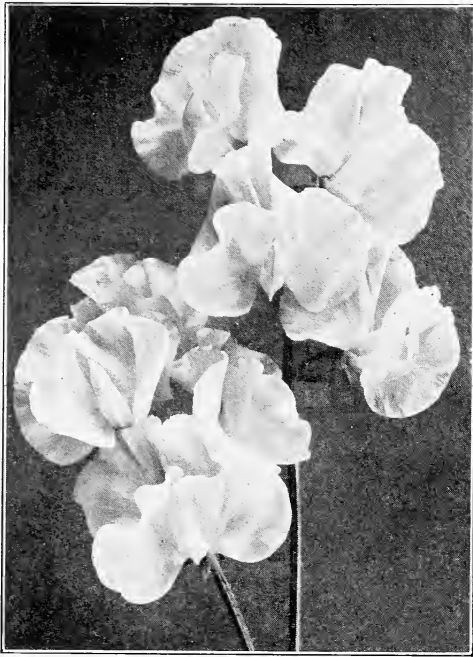


### DELPHINIUM PERENNIAL

Those who have seen the Burbank Perennial Delphiniums do not need to be told what they are.

For those who have not we can only say that they surpass anything known anywhere for variety, thriftiness, generosity of blooming, and their unimaginable beauty in bed or as a cut flower. Everywhere they take first prizes. We were contemplating selling separate varieties, but have decided to give you the benefit of an extraordinary medley, full of surprise and delight.

*DELPHINIUM (Mixed)*—Per packet, each 50 cents; three for \$1



*One of Our Sweet Peas*

## SWEET PEAS

This native of the island of Sicily has risen in the last few years to a preëminent place among the flowers of America, both because of its transcendent beauty in the garden and its loveliness as a cut flower.

The seeds we offer are LUTHER BURBANK selections from the best grown in this country, and are of surpassing beauty and desirability. Among the colors are mauve and purple, maroon, dark blue, bi-color, striped, light blue, lavender, light and deep cerise, orange-scarlet, deep- and cream-pink, light pink, cream, blush and white.

THESE SWEET PEAS ARE THE SUMMER-FLOWERING VARIETY.

SWEET PEAS—Per packet, mixed, each 20 cents; three for 50 cents

## FOXGLOVE

*(Digitalis Grandiflora)*

Tall, stately, handsome biennials. One of the old-fashioned flowers that are, thank Heaven, coming back into our modern gardens, to give them grace, beauty and fragrance! Flowers crimson, rose and white. It is of particular importance to note

that Foxglove loves the trees; while it will not thrive in dense shade it seems to delight in partial shade and to give generous rewards to the gardener who associates it with trees and shrubs.

FOXGLOVE—Mixed packets, each 15 cents; two for 25 cents

## CANTERBURY BELLS

Absolutely indispensable. There is no plant that will take the place of the Canterbury Bell (*Campanula*): its showy, charming blossoms, its tall grace, its luxuriant and delightful foliage, its hardiness and companionableness make it unique. We are accustomed to seeing it used with phloxes and stocks and other old-fashioned flowers: for variety note its effectiveness against a wall, in a bed by itself, or for a border. We like it also behind gladiolus, for contrast. Select mixed.

CANTERBURY BELLS—Per packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents

## PENSTEMON

*(Luther Burbank's Production)*

From June until frost these generous and lovely flowers smile on the home-gardener and reward him for his choice of them. They make a fine bed, a wonderful hedge, or when mingled with other of the taller-plant flowers their gay spikes are unceasingly attractive. Numerous bell-shaped flowers on tall spikes; colors lavender, rose, red (beautiful reds!) and white. AN EXTRA SPECIAL OFFERING.

PENSTEMON—Per packet, 25 cents; three for 60 cents

## CENTAUREA MARGUERITE

*(The Cornflower or "Bachelor's Button")*

The finest of all the Bachelor Buttons: sweet scented, beautifully formed, long-stemmed, select seed OF VARIOUS MIXED COLORS. When cut will last for several days. Sturdy plants. Grows to fine height and bears profusely.

CENTAUREA MARGUERITE—Per packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents

## COSMOS (Early)

The Cosmos is one of those familiars of the garden that everyone must have, and yet that too many of us are likely to overlook because of that very familiarity. The Burbank Select Mixed Cosmos comes in crimson, rose and white, blooms prodigiously and early, and is our choice for best.

COSMOS—Per packet, 25 cents



## PANSY

The flamboyant and theatric beauty of these pansies—Luther Burbank selections with many additions of the rarest varieties known, which were made by us this fall for your pleasure—is beyond description. Perhaps you have overlooked the pansy in recent years; if so, a few packets of this amazing seed selection will delight you.

PANSY—Mixed packets,  
30 cents each;  
three for 75 cents.

## THE AUTUMN GARDEN

Oh, the splendour of my garden in the quiet Autumn days,  
When the robin's song comes floating down the shadowy, leaf-strewn ways,  
Oh, the sheaves of tangled blossom, rose and gold and amethyst,  
With their breath of wind-swept freshness, with their scent of dew and mist.  
—Anonymous.

## CAMASSIA "MULTIPLIER"

Luther Burbank's amazing development of the Camassia—the only one on earth *that multiplies from bulbs* by natural division each season. Produced as the result of twelve years of experimentation. In addition to "multiplying by division" this Camassia is far and away the handsomest of them all, growing about two feet in height with beautiful clear blue flowers closely set on the spike and very large. A hardy perennial bulbous plant, blooming from seed in the second season. NO BULBS this year. CAMASSIA, *Burbank's Multiplier*—Per packet, \$1

## POPPY "ROSY GIANT"

New, fresh, fair and beautiful. One of the flowers that visitors in the last three years most admired in Mr. Burbank's gardens. Grows to three feet and bears giant, rosy, peony-flowered poppies abundantly. The seed is small and one packet, if you sow thinly, will give you generous and bountiful returns in sturdy plants and brilliant flowers.

POPPY "*Rosy Giant*" (*Luther Burbank's*)—Per packet, 25 cents; five for \$1

## CARNATION

*Burbank Everblooming*

BURBANK'S SELECT EVERBLOOMING CARNATION. Beautiful shades of scarlet, crimson, pink, rose, white, yellow and variegated. Blooms early and CONTINUES TO BLOOM ALMOST PERPETUALLY. Our own special selection from this prize-winning variety. The price is unusually generous.

CARNATION—Per packet, 25 cents

## TRITOMA

*"Flame Flower" or "Torch Lily"*

Most of you are familiar with the plant we used to call, when we were children, the "Red-hot Poker"; but not everyone knows what Mr. Burbank did to change the red spikes of this very ornamental, conventionalized and shrub-like plant into golden torches and yellow flares.

This new hybrid presents these colors, from pale citron yellow to the richest orange scarlet; the tall spikes shoot up to a height of from two to six feet; they bloom constantly from June to the late fall. They are hardy throughout most of the United States; if your springs are very cold the seeds may be sown in a protected sand-box and transplanted later, with success.

TRITOMA HYBRIDA (*The Flame Flower*)—Packets, 25 cents each



*Tritoma*—"Torch Lily"

## PHYTOLACCA AMERICANA

*("Aurora")*

A stout, bushy, hardy perennial plant, the autumn foliage of which can hardly be equaled in any plant, Luther Burbank said. The combination shades of crimson, green and gold come in waves of color. It can be grown in the open in any climate except the very bitterest. Users declare it a surprise and a delight.

PHYTOLACCA, "*Aurora*"—Packet, 25 cents



## PHLOX

Our Select Mixed of the finest large-flowered varieties. Will give you a theatric display of brilliant colors; the well-rounded, closely formed flowers, with their long stems, will make fine cut flowers. Borders, large, solid beds, or for lawn-margins, phlox is invaluable.

PHLOX, *Selected, Mixed Colors*—Per packet, 15 cents

## AMARANTHUS ABYSSINICUS

Originally this plant was sometimes called "Love Lies Bleeding." A tall, striking plant with mammoth drooping scarlet tassels two or three feet long. Pictured at the right.

Amaranthus Abyssinicus is tropical and sensational in appearance and, planted in rows, makes a striking background for more squat growths.

We are able to make a very low price on this seed and you are the gainers. It is worth much more than is asked.

AMARANTHUS ABYSSINICUS—Packets, each 10 cents; three 25 cents

## PETUNIA "ROSY MORN"

EXTRAORDINARY OFFERING! Our stock of the Luther Burbank creation ROSY MORN PETUNIA is generous enough so that we can let you share the advantage.

This Rosy Morn Petunia is one of the most beautiful flowers known for solid mass treatment in gardens, large or small. The blush of the blooms covers the ground for weeks and weeks; it is sturdy and requires little care; it spreads widely. Its color is a delicate clear lavender pink with a delightful, evasive perfume.

ROSY MORN PETUNIA—Per packet, each, 15 cents;\* ounce, \$5

\*While the seed is tiny and the packets generous, you should have at least five packets to take full advantage of the possibilities of this flower. Therefore we offer you as a SPECIAL, 5 packets, 50 cents.

## SENSITIVE PLANT

MIMOSA PUDICA—Sensitive Plant—is "The Show-Off" of the Garden!

Its name comes from the Greek meaning Mimic. Its leaves are very sensitive, and will close if a finger touches it, and the stem will droop as though it had decided to quit this world. Then, like the 'possum, it revives presently and slowly straightens up and spreads its leaves again to the sun.

Likes moist air and thrives in a greenhouse everywhere, but will do very well out of doors in the summer months.

SENSITIVE PLANT—Each packet, 25 cents

## ASTER

(Burbank's Fluffy Giant)

Of pastel shades, sturdy growth and extravagant powers of blooming, Mr. Burbank's own Fluffy Giant Asters are to be most heartily commended to you.

The packets are of *mixed seeds* only, containing all the desired and worthy colors and all in *graceful, fluffy-petaled forms*.

BURBANK ASTERS—Per packet, 25 cents; five for \$1

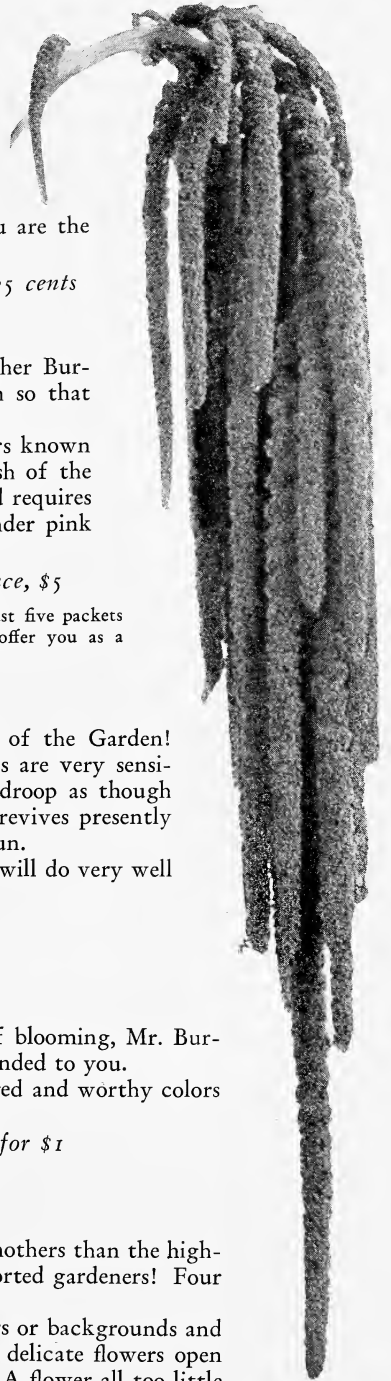
## FOUR O'CLOCK

(Mirabilis)

How much better the name given this flower by our grandmothers than the high-sounding title of the modern landscape architects and the imported gardeners! Four O'Clock!

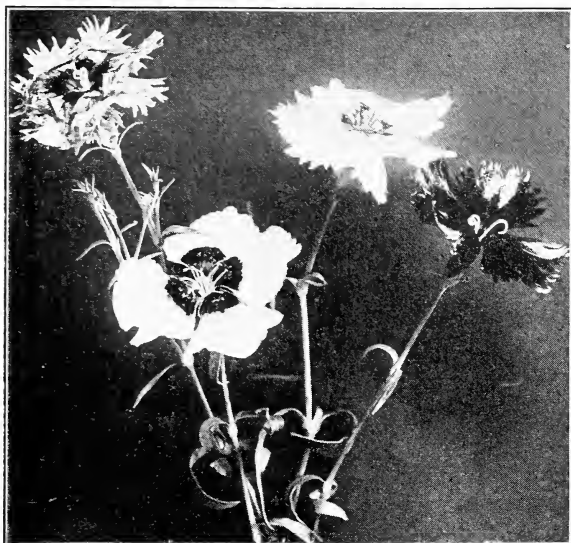
Out from the rich, glossy foliage, so ideal for hedges, borders or backgrounds and partaking of the nature of a shrub in general appearance, the delicate flowers open profusely in the afternoon, giving off a wonderful fragrance. A flower all too little known and grown today. Colors: scarlet, white, yellow and crimson.

FOUR O'CLOCK—Mixed packets, each 15 cents; two for 25 cents



*Amaranthus  
Abyssinicus*





*Dianthus, or Old-Fashioned Pink, Burbank Hybrids*

## DIANTHUS—THE CHINA PINK

All right, call them that.

But as for us, we are sot in our ways and we will continue to call them OLD-fashioned Pinks.

These are unusual ones—petals fringed, frilled and ruffled, and the colors deep to glowing crimson, rose, salmon pink, and white, mottled and blended in a great variety of shades. You MUST have at least a small bed. That is the way we feel about it, therefore—

DIANTHUS (*the Old-Fashioned, or China Pink*)—Packet, 25 cents

## PETUNIA HYBRIDS

Another surprise package here!

Carefully grown and selected, this seed will give you petunias of almost every named variety in all colors and combina-

tions of color. Not less than fifty heavy-blooming kinds were included in the beds from which these hybrids were grown.

PETUNIA HYBRIDS—Select mixed, per packet, 25 cents; three for 50 cents

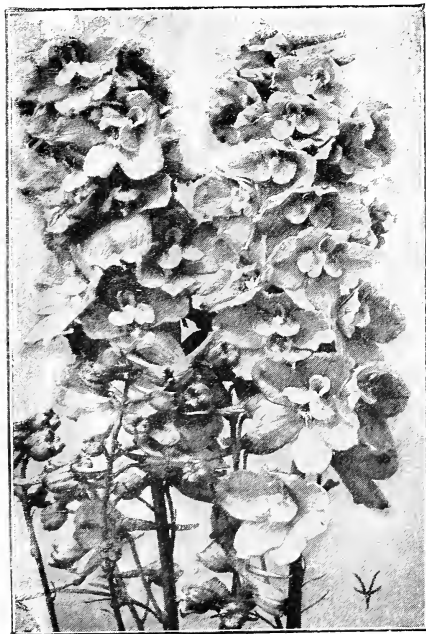
## HELICHRYSUM

An "everlasting" flower—and one of the choicest and best.

Beautiful daisy-like flowers which make a fine display *all summer* with their crimson, rose, dark yellow, pink and lemon shades, and that may be plucked and dried and kept for *winter* bouquets that give the dullest room on the gloomiest day a touch of summer.

HELICHRYSUM should be given plenty of room, as it grows freely thus, to a height of three feet, and with a multitude of blossoms. The packets contain all the colors, mixed.

HELICHRYSUM—Per packet, 10 cents; three for 25 cents



*Annual Larkspur*

## ANNUAL LARKSPUR

Luther Burbank's Double Stock Flowering Larkspur. One of the most pleasing of the all-summer flowers. Seeds sown early in the open ground will give a wealth of flowers from midsummer until late in the fall. In fact it blooms up to the hard frosts.

No other annual flower surpasses them in beauty, abundance and variety. New double mixed. Pastel shades. Extra superb selection; a flower you cannot afford to leave out of your order.

ANNUAL LARKSPUR—Per packet, each 20 cents; three for 50 cents

## ESCHSCHOLTZIA HYBRIDS

(Mixed California Poppies)

These hybrids, of a great variety of bright and unusual colors, have been developed from the California wild poppy, the work started by Luther Burbank almost fifty years ago. The delicacy of the plant and the brilliance and variety of the colors, coupled with the fact that these plants bear generously throughout the summer, recommend it most highly. Particularly effective for beds.

ESCHSCHOLTZIA HYBRIDS (*Select Mixed*)—Per packet, 15 cents



*A Burbank Farms Stock*

## STOCKS

*Large Flowering Dwarf—Mixed*

Another of Grandmother's flowers, improved by breeding and selection until they are more lovely than ever, without at all losing their old time charm.

The colors assorted, the plant sturdy, its habit to bloom prodigal.

*STOCKS, Mixed Large Flowering Dwarf—Per packet, 15 cents*

## STATICE SINUATA

*(Sea Lavender)*

New hybrid *STATICE*—everlasting flowers that bloom all summer with delicate, crêpe-like flowers in varying shades of white, blue and yellow, and that, if cut and dried, make lovely bouquets that will last without fading or losing their petals throughout the whole winter. They are very attractive as bedding plants, growing to a height of two feet. **NOTE PRICE!**

*STATICE SINUATA (Luther Burbank's Everlasting Flower)—Per packet, 10 cents; three for 25 cents*

## NEW BURBANK SHASTA DAISIES

The name of Luther Burbank is to many people almost synonymous with the name of the Shasta Daisy.

Established with garden lovers all over the world, the Shasta Daisy needed no improvement, but Mr. Burbank improved it.

The seed we are offering this year is a mixture of his very latest hybrids; each packet will surprise you with new and unexpected forms and sizes, but all will produce big, snowy-white flowers that will bloom and bloom and bloom!

*BURBANK SHASTA DAISIES—Select mixed, packets, each 25 cents; three for 60 cents*

## MAYFLOWER VERBENA

Extremely large flowers in wonderful, bright shades of rose, scarlet, pink, blue, lavender, crimson, purple and white.

The most fragrant strain ever produced, and known all over the world as the best verbenas selection there is.

*MAYFLOWER VERBENA — Per packet, 25 cents*



*Shasta Daisy Hybrids*

Do not send money for postage; it is our pleasure to pay that for you on all orders, large and small.



*Select Double Hollyhocks*

## HOLLYHOCKS

*Double, Mixed*

These Hollyhocks are all that Grandmother loved and that were made famous in song, picture and story during her times—PLUS the beautiful and relatively new DOUBLE character of the flowers.

Well as you know Hollyhocks you will be surprised and delighted at these marvelous, dignified, old-fashioned flowers, of surpassing color and texture, strong stalks, and generosity in blooming.

HOLLYHOCKS, *Double, Mixed Colors*—Per packet, 20 cents



*Coreopsis Lanceolata Grandiflora*

## HOLLYHOCKS

*Mixed, Single*

The real, old-fashioned, gracious, "lavender-and-old-lace-period" hollyhocks. Against a wall, along a path, behind low-growing plants—anywhere, for a touch of nobility and that old, old, storied, fragrant, mellow garden touch you want so much and find it so hard to get—

HOLLYHOCKS, *Single Flowers, Mixed Colors*—Per packet, 15 cents

## NEW COREOPSIS LANCEOLATA GRANDIFLORA

Everyone knows the Coreopsis—and most real flower lovers have a few in the garden every year.

But not everyone knows the "LANCEOLATA GRANDIFLORA" perfected by Luther Burbank.

They are magnificent great yellow blooms on very long stems—fully twice as large as any offered anywhere before.

NEW COREOPSIS — Packet, 25 cents; three for 60 cents

## ASTER

(*California Giant*)

A new aster with a bushy-growing habit, strong stems, and the blossoms on the ends. Peach blossom, light blue, deep rose and dark purple are the colors; a great asset to any garden, especially one informal and homely.

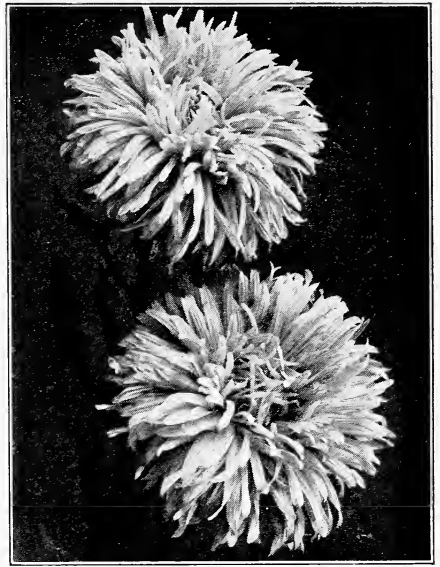
CALIFORNIA GIANT ASTER—*Per packet, 25 cents*

## AGAPANTHUS UMBELLATUS

(*The African Lily*)

A new and gigantic Agapanthus, bearing on four-foot stems great clusters of lily-flowers of the purest white and a lovely blue. The flowers each last as long as three months; the Agapanthus for this reason and because of its strong habit and generous blooming makes a peculiarly decorative plant for backgrounds and difficult corners. Not hardy enough for the coldest climates, but thriving out of doors where the weather is warm.

AGAPANTHUS—*Per packet, 40 cents*



*Aster—California Giant*

## CLARKIA

Select mixed packets of Clarkia seed that you must not pass lightly!

The Clarkia is easily grown, thrives well, bears generously AND VERY EARLY. Excellent for cutting. Colors: rosy purple, rose, salmon, white and many delicate shades.

CLARKIA—*Per packet, 15 cents*

## BURBANK CRIMSON CALIFORNIA POPPY

(*Eschscholtzia*)

When Luther Burbank came to California in 1876 he was astonished and overcome by the beauty of the California poppy, and from the very first he worked to get acquainted with this wild native flower. When he knew it well he found that he could do wonderful things with it; perhaps his greatest achievement in this line was the production of the graceful, dainty, flaming crimson flower here offered you. Lacy, fern-like leaves, long, graceful stems, delicately-petaled, nodding flowers—and that color! THE BURBANK CRIMSON CALIFORNIA POPPY—*Per packet, 20 cents*



*Burbank Crimson Eschscholtzia*



*Burbank Select Chrysanthemums*

## CHRYSANTHEMUM

(*Japonicum*)

You may or may not be interested in exhibiting at your neighborhood or state flower shows, but certainly there is a vast amount of satisfaction derivable from the possession in your garden of flowers that might well take ribbons if they were shown.

No matter what your purpose in buying Chrysanthemums you may be sure that our Extra Special Selection will surpass your expectations.

CHRYSANTHEMUM—Seed, per packet, 30 cents

## SINGLE DAHLIA

Mixed Selected Single Dahlia Seed.

Each packet contains a wide assortment of seeds that will bring every known single dahlia color. The Double Dahlia is, of course, a development from the Single, and any mixture of Single seed may bring a number of new Doubles.

In any event you will get from this seed fine, sturdy plants, with excellent foliage and growing habits, and gorgeous flowers, unusually large and brilliant.

SINGLE DAHLIA, *Select Mixed*—Per packet, 25 cents

We are pleased to pay all postage and packing charges on items ordered from this Bulletin.



*Burbank Single Dahlia*





*Sweet William*

## SWEET WILLIAM

Just Sweet William — and what more need be said, unless that these are our own selection for you, highly recommended for their hardiness, blooming qualities, and starred, mottled and variegated flowers, of rarest fragrance.

SWEET WILLIAM, *Select Mixed* —  
Per packet, 20 cents; three for 50 cents.

## FRENCH MARIGOLD

*"Legion of Honor"*

Of all the marigolds this purple and gold-striped dwarf-growing variety is the most entrancing, blooms abundantly from July until the first frosts; it gives any garden a touch of real splendor and as a cut flower is the peer of anything we know.

FRENCH MARIGOLD, *Legion of Honor*—Packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents

## "BURBANK" POPPIES

You might charge us with extravagance if we wrote the description of this queen of flowers, therefore we quote Luther Burbank:

"Burbank Poppies — The newest and most exquisitely beautiful of all known poppies. Crimped and fluted petals in every shade and tint found in 'My Art Poppies' but with added brilliance and variety. You need look no further for the finest, the most elegant ever produced."

That seems to us sufficient. We only add that you have not had poppies until you have had these.

"BURBANK" POPPIES—Per packet, 40 cents; three for \$1

## BURBANK RAINBOW CORN

Here is something unique and in itself beautiful, which you ought to know more about.

It is a field corn produced for purely decorative purposes; it is like all field corn except that the long, sword-like leaves grow out from the stalk regularly on opposite sides, spreading something as a fan spreads; it has a small ear, with beautiful and gracious tassels; it rises to a height of from four to seven feet; and—

The leaves are variegated with crimson, yellow, green, rose, copper and bronze stripes!

A striking and unusual plant that will add interest and beauty to your garden and will give the neighbors something to talk about and envy.

BURBANK RAINBOW CORN — Packet, 20 cents



*"Burbank" Poppies*

## Sweet Scabious

Lifting their heads proudly on long, slender stems, above sturdy, jolly little plants, this SWEET SCABIOUS is a flower you ought to know.

Let us give ourselves the pleasure of introducing it to you this year! If you think you are familiar with it—Have you seen the Luther Burbank Scabious?

The flowers are in soft shades of lavender, blue and pink and in white and from the large “pin-cushions” in the center tiny white flowerets start. Someone once named this flower “The Mourning Bride,” perhaps because some of the darker varieties look as though they wore a white veil. Others call it the “Pin-Cushion.”

But by any name it is a sweet and delightful addition to the garden. We have tried, in the color photograph on opposite page, to give you some idea of its charm.

Its outstanding characteristic is the long stem, which makes it ideal for cutting, while not detracting from its usefulness in the bed, where it nods and bends and sways in the breeze, and bears generously for your delight during the late summer and the entire fall.

SWEET SCABIOUS—*Per packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents; SIX PACKETS, 50 cents*

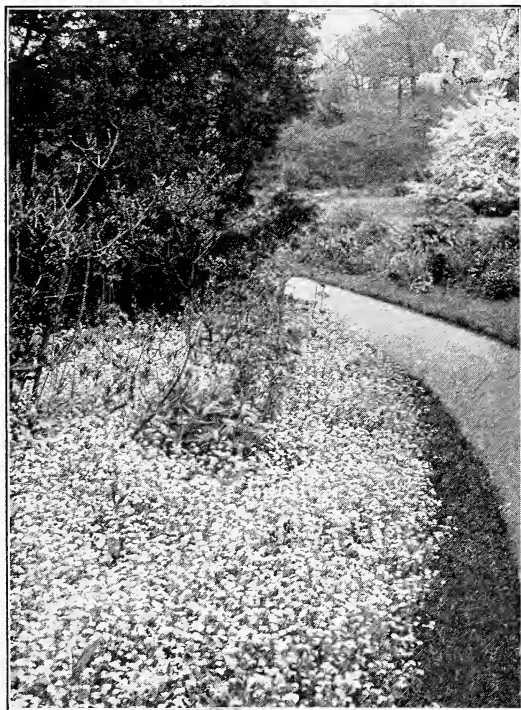
## BURBANK RAINBOW TEOSINTE

TEOSINTE is the primitive ancestor of the American sweet corns; Mr. Burbank worked with it for forty years and from it and crosses between it and our own corns produced some amazing sweet corn, popcorn, and hybrids of decorative value. For a long time he experimented to add to the Teosinte the variegated leaves of his own Rainbow Corn, and at last succeeded.

He wrote last year: “This astonishing new hybrid grows much taller and its brilliant colors last much longer than with the Rainbow Corn. It also produces an abundance of miniature ears six to twelve and occasionally eighteen to each plant.”

Here is a rare and interesting plant for your garden, useful for borders, wall planting, or corners, unusual in its history, and with beautiful leaves during the whole summer and a small harvest of unique baby ears in the fall. It cannot be purchased anywhere except from us this year.

BURBANK RAINBOW TEOSINTE (CORN)—*Per packet, 50 cents; three for \$1*



*Forget-Me-Not,  
Beautifully Used as a Border*

## FORGET-ME-NOT

Early summer sees this lovely little flower starring your garden with its quaint blues. It loves moist corners, and is a great addition to a bed of pansies or other flowers having a lot-growing habit. The national flower of Belgium—and of lovers!

FORGET-ME-NOT—*Per packet, 25 cents\**

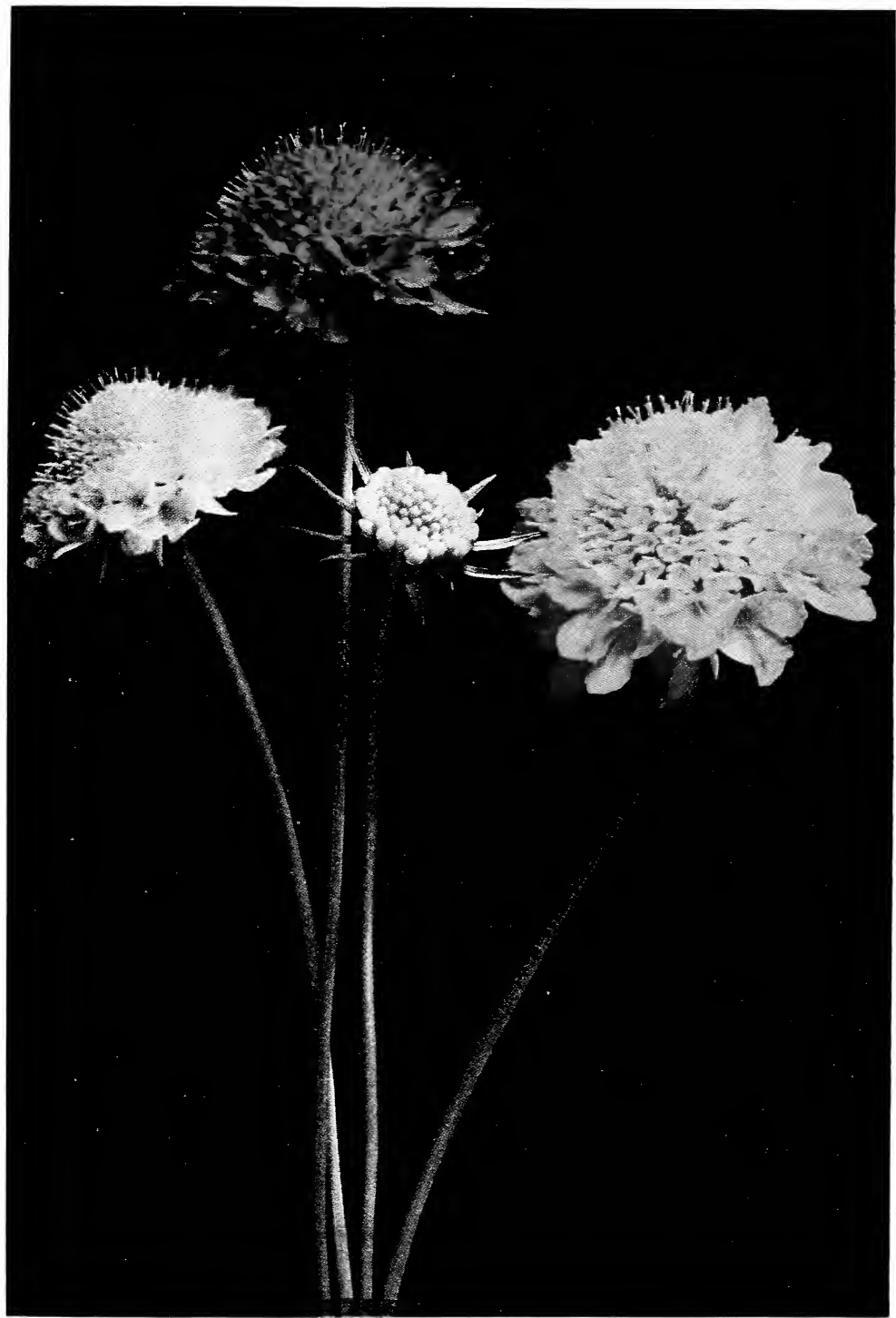
\*Do not confuse this Forget-Me-Not with anything ordinary. It is *extra select mixed seed*, chosen by us for high qualities missed in all the cheaper grades.

## DWARF MIRABILIS (Golden Foliage)

With variegated flowers, blooming profusely, opening every afternoon and filling the air with fragrance, these Four O'Clocks make an almost perfect border planting. The flowers, too, are striped, splashed and feathered in a very curious and fascinating fashion, with scarlet, crimson, orange and yellow. A Luther Burbank favorite.

DWARF MIRABILIS—*Packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents.*





*The Burbank Hybrid Sweet Scabious*



*Just a Few Burbank Seedling Roses Out of Two Thousand Variations*

# To Real Enthusiasts:

## Would You Like to Be Your Own Plant Breeder?

We make eight suggestions on this page that will give you a unique opportunity—and the last of its kind that can ever be offered you—to carry on, for yourself, some of the uncompleted experiments with plants on which Luther Burbank was working at the time of his last illness.

### *Burbank Hybridized Rose Seeds for Experimental Planting*

Early in the spring before his illness Mr. Burbank, with more attention than usual, crossed about a dozen of his hardiest and best roses.

At the same time he was cultivating some 3000 rose seedlings grown from the same sort of crosses made the year before. These rose seedlings developed, this spring and summer, into fine rose bushes, some of them bearing ordinary or even undesirable blooms, but most of them producing interesting and delightful novelties and a few bringing forth MARVELOUS AND UNIQUE ROSES.

Seeing the worth of these choice seedlings it occurred to us that our customers might be interested in buying some of this precious ROSE SEED, crossed with Mr. Burbank's own hand, and now ripened, each little seed bearing in its heart the mystery and marvel of a crossed heredity, that may come out ordinary or that may produce a new and sensational rose!

This rose seed should be planted in warm, sandy compost and transplanted or thinned when it comes up. After the seedling has got a foothold it may be moved to any sunny open bed. Before fall you will have a hint of the result of your experiment; next spring you will know the whole story.

ROSE SEED—Per packet, \$1.50

Note the colored plate opposite. These are just a few of the seedling roses grown by Mr. Burbank last year from the same sort of seed we are now able to offer you.



The following seed varieties are listed in other places in this Bulletin, but in each case there is an opportunity afforded the garden enthusiast and amateur experimenter to continue work already well started by Mr. Burbank but not finished before his death.

DELPHINIUM: A remarkable and new Delphinium, the seeds of which may bring you entirely new shades in color and new sizes and habits in the plant.

SHASTA DAISIES: This seed will give you unimaginable variations in size, shade, petal-texture and nature, and so on.

GLADIOLUS SEED: On page 16 you will find our amazing offer of Burbank Choice Gladiolus Seed. Without doubt you will find at least one new Gladiolus variety, worthy of naming and offering for yourself, in each packet.

PETUNIA HYBRIDS: In working toward his Blue and his Rosy Morn Petunias, Mr. Burbank developed a large number of interesting and valuable hybrids. A packet or two of this seed will afford you an opportunity to develop something that may, perhaps, prove a successful new PETUNIA.

DAHLIAS—DOUBLE AND SINGLE: A wonderful chance for new varieties.

WATSONIA SEED: Mr. Burbank thought this flower, jealously developed, would some day out-shine the Gladiolus with many gardeners. Great variations in this seed are certain.

TRITOMA: This "Torch Lily" offers a big field.

By turning to these various seeds in the Bulletin you will find the prices. But to show our interest we will meet you half way. The total cost of a packet each of the seeds enumerated is \$4.50. If you are interested in our plan we will send you—

OUR EXPERIMENT COMBINATION—Nine full packets, one each of above varieties, \$3

N. B.—You will find Mr. Burbank's own account of his methods in hybridizing and selecting, as in such experiments as those suggested here, in his *The Harvest of the Years*. It will be sent you direct from here, postpaid, for \$4.00.

With best wishes,

## THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS

SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA, U. S. A.

OUR AFTERTHOUGHT: If you are one of the REAL zealots we will go one step farther and send you the nine packets of seeds AND *The Harvest of the Years* for \$6.00. Please write on the order blank:

I EXPERIMENT COMBINATION AND HARVEST OF THE YEARS, \$6.00

## FOUR SPLENDID SHRUBS

For garden lovers who are interested in the unusual and exotic we are offering this year four rare and remarkable ornamentals, to be grown from seed.

They are not for the impatient gardener, who wants blossoms and fruits in a few weeks and then tears out everything and starts over; they are for the discerning and flower-loving person who builds up his gardens year by year and who delights in novelties and importations when they have intrinsic merit and beauty.

WE DOUBT THAT YOU CAN GET THE FOUR FOLLOWING THROUGH ANY OTHER AGENCY. And we can assure you that, if you try these, you will have something to be proud of for all time to come.

THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS.

### NEW CHILIAN ABUTILON

ABUTILON is, properly, a shrub, though it attains the proportions of a small tree.

It is one of the most magnificent of all bloomers in this class, bearing a profusion of saucer-shaped flowers nearly three inches across—pure white and others a porcelain blue.

This Abutilon is far harder than any other, but will not endure below-zero weather.

NEW CHILIAN ABUTILON—*Packet, Select Mixed, \$1*

### ACTINIDIA ARGUTA

This ACTINIDIA is a hardy perennial climbing shrub from Korea, growing to a height of twenty feet or more at prodigious speed. It bears great quantities of greenish fruits in clusters that have a delicious flavor reminding one of a fig, a sweet plum and a sweet gooseberry all at once!

A handsome and highly useful *vine* with a basic growth characteristic of a *shrub*, the ACTINIDIA ARGUTA will prove invaluable for covering out-buildings, arbors, fences, and so on.

ACTINIDIA ARGUTA—*Per packet, 50 cents*

### ACTINIDIA CHINENSIS

Cousin to the ARGUTA, the Chinensis has the same shrub-like promise that suddenly is changed to a certainty in long, rapidly growing vine-tendrils that, if let go, will twine and clamber about the stiff shoots of the earlier growth so that you would say there were two plants growing together. A most interesting and decorative shrub for this alone.

But in addition ACTINIDIA CHINENSIS has another remarkable trait: about half the plants bear fruit and the other half only large staminate flowers of great beauty, something like the passion flower, of a lovely and indescribable yellow.

The fruits are good either cooked or raw. THIS PLANT IS HARDY generally south of the latitude of New York City.

ACTINIDIA CHINENSIS—*Per packet, 50 cents*

### HARDY PERENNIAL HIBISCUS

Enormous flowers of most beautiful shades of crimson, pink and white are borne by these hybrid Hibiscus developed by Mr. Burbank. He considered it far superior to anything in this variety, and travelers say that it excels even those grown in the tropics.

HARDY PERENNIAL HIBISCUS—*Per packet, 35 cents*



### A NEW VINE—VITIS DAVIDI

*Burbank Chinese Grape*

A new offering. Practically unknown in America, this Shantung, China, grape offers more possibilities than anything we know of in its class. A hardy, quick-growing, fruitful vine, this grape has growing characteristics unique and most attractive.

The vine is "knobbly"—grows thickly covered with green spurs or spines that give the vine a mossy look most decorative. The leaves are enormous and artistic; the grapes generously borne and of the finest quality for jellies and grape juice. In the fall tendrils and branches turn a rusty brown, the spikes turn reddish, and the leaves take on autumn colors of indescribable beauty.

VITIS DAVIDI—*Seed, per packet, 70 cents*

# Vegetables

These seeds are grown on The Luther Burbank Experiment Farms, with very few exceptions where we have made careful selection according to Mr. Burbank's own rules and following his practice.

Every packet will prove a surprise and a delight to those accustomed to buying their vegetable seeds from seedsmen who grow or buy wholesale.

Moreover these are all tested and proven varieties, known to be capable of fulfilling every claim made for them.

Finally, our packets are more generous than the usual rule, so that you get both quality and quantity from this list.

## THE LUTHER BURBANK EXPERIMENT FARMS.



### "BIG BOSTON" LETTUCE

A very large, hard-heading lettuce grown more extensively than any other. Suited to all climates and in flavor unsurpassed. An all-the-year-round variety for all purposes everywhere.

"BIG BOSTON" LETTUCE—*Packet, 15 cents; ounce, 25 cents*

### "PERFECTION" CARROT

The most highly bred in form and quality for table use. Early, short, oval, sweet, tender roots.

"PERFECTION" CARROT—*Packet, 20 cents*

### BUSH BEANS

*Giant Stringless Green-Pod*

Our choice of all the beans known to home-gardeners. Pods meaty, stringless and borne heavily. Beans sweet and high in health-giving elements.

GIANT GREEN-POD BEANS—*Packet, 10 cents; three for 25 cents*

### CABBAGE

*Early Jersey Wakefield*

Heads uniformly hard and solid, conical in form, generally pointed at the ends, with the minimum of waste leaves. Well-blanching heart; delicious flavor.

CABBAGE, *Wakefield*—*Packet, 10 cents straight*

### EGGPLANT

This variety bears long fruits, 2½ inches in diameter and often 8 inches long. Deep purplish skin, even and smooth; one of the earliest and most productive varieties and exceptional in quality.

EGGPLANT—*Per packet, 15 cents*

### MUSKMELON

*(Rocky Ford Cantaloupe)*

This famous fruit continues to be the favorite. An exceptionally fine yield this year. Our choice for you.

MUSKMELON (*Rocky Ford*)—*Per packet, 15 cents; two for 25 cents*

### ONION—The Prize-Taker

Strictly what the name implies—a vegetable that takes prizes everywhere but, more important still, wins instant favor with the cook and the lover of green table vegetables and salads. Succulent and well-flavored; a good keeper and large grower. VERY MILD.

ONION (*Prize-Taker*)—*Per packet, 10 cents; three for 25 cents*

### CUCUMBER, ARCTIC WHITE

This was originated from Mr. Burbank's "Iceland" by a grower in Northern British America. The fruits are larger and longer than the Iceland but in quality are more like the white spine cucumber. Very productive.

CUCUMBER, ARCTIC WHITE—*Packet, 15 cents; four for 50 cents*



*Sunberry*

## THE SUNBERRY

The Burbank Sunberry, an absolutely new species of *Solanum* created by Mr. Burbank, is an annual berry plant of the easiest culture, thriving even on rather poor soil. The berries are almost exactly like the large, sweet huckleberries of the Eastern states. The plants bear enormous quantities of berries which are highly prized for cooking, canning, etc. Grown and treated same as tomato plants. The Sunberry is especially prized in the cold North and in hot desert countries where other berries do not thrive.

The berries, like some blackberries, should be allowed to ripen two weeks after turning black if to be eaten raw, when they become very sweet and delicious and will then remain in good condition on the plants in dry climates for a month or more. If to be cooked they may be used in a week or so after turning black.

The ordinary production per acre is from twenty-five to forty thousand pounds.

DENVER, COLO., Feb. 24, 1922.—Our record for "Sunberries" was broken in 1921. Produced 125 crates of 24 pint boxes each, which sold on market for \$3 and \$3.50 per crate. They are wonderful. This amount produced from about 900 plants and a very dry season at that. Irrigated three or four times during growing season. We think the "Sunberry" just the berry for our short growing season.

E. C. W.

LAWRENCE, CAL., Jan. 17, 1922.—The "Sunberry" was certainly wonderful last season. Had 50 pounds of fine berries from about ten plants. For pie and jelly can't be excelled.

L. E. G.

NUTWOOD, OHIO, Nov. 30, 1921.—The "Sunberry" makes delicious pies and is very prolific.

C. H. D.

BURBANK SUNBERRY—*Packet, 20 cents*

## CABBAGE

*Danish Short Stem Ball Head*

The very best cabbage for winter use. Extremely solid heads of remarkable keeping qualities. Keeps in best condition throughout the winter; of most excellent quality.

CABBAGE (*Danish Short Stem Ball Head*)—*Packet, 10 cents; three, 25 cents*

## EARLY "SNOWBALL" CAULIFLOWER

One of the earliest, hardiest, best and surest to head of all the cauliflowers.

EARLY "SNOWBALL" CAULIFLOWER—*Packet, 25 cents; three, 60 cents*

## TRUE HUBBARD SQUASH

After trying all the so-called improved Hubbards we have gone back to this one. The vines grow sturdily and run freely, the fruit is heavily borne, the thick flesh is orange-yellow, of fine texture and extraordinary sweetness. Nothing finer. To test it TRY THIS SQUASH IN A PIE, using condensed instead of fresh milk for the custard, and sweetening with a spoonful of honey.

TRUE HUBBARD SQUASH—*20 cents*

## RADISH, NEW HYBRIDS

Most remarkable radishes are produced from this hybrid seed—earliest white, pink, red, scarlet, blue, giant, dwarf, long round, oval, etc. May be called All Season radish as one early sowing produces crisp radishes for months during the cool spring or fall months.

Note that the prices are very low—quality and unique character of the seed considered.

RADISH, NEW HYBRIDS—*Packet, 15 cents; three for 40 cents*



## BEET

### *Improved Detroit*

This remarkable red BEET was developed by Mr. Burbank and we are fortunate this year in having a good stock for sale.

There is no beet known that surpasses this for firmness of flesh, succulence, color and flavor. Bears enormously and grows rapidly.

Mr. Burbank recommended it as particularly well adapted for the home garden and also proved that it would keep in fine condition longer than most beets.

Note the price *on an ounce of seed!*

IMPROVED DETROIT RED BEET—*Per packet, 10 cents; OUNCE, 20 cents*

## PIMIENTO PEPPER

A short, compact, bright red pepper of the mildest flavor, highly prized for canning. Especially valuable for warm climates. Too late for short seasons.

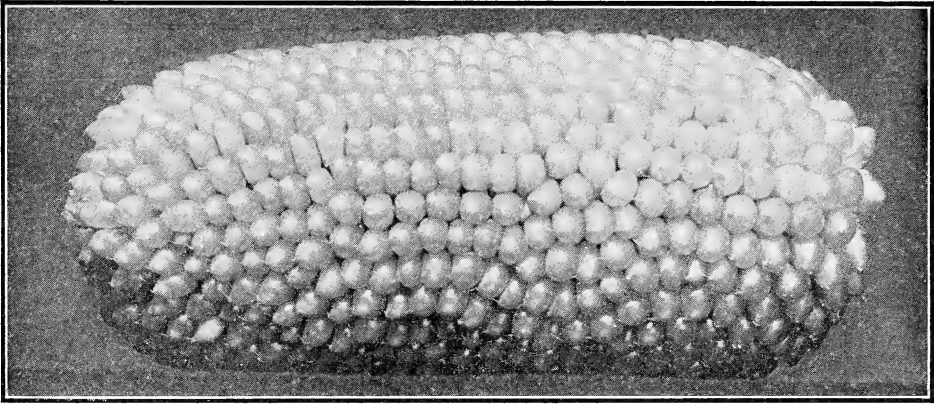
PIMIENTO PEPPER—*Packet, 15 cents*

## NEW RAINBOW CHARD

### *"Asparagus Beet"*

By crossing the improved Swiss Chard with the sweet table beets Mr. Burbank produced a vigorous strain with large leaves and stalks of white, pink, green, scarlet, crimson, orange, and yellow. The leaves are crimped and pitted like the Savoy cabbage. Nothing in the garden can be more easily raised, and no other vegetable produces such a vast and perpetual supply of healthful succulent food.

NEW RAINBOW CHARD (*"Asparagus Beet"*)—*Packet, 25 cents*



*Sorghum Popcorn*

## "SORGHUM POP"

### *Luther Burbank's New Popcorn*

Two years ago Mr. Burbank offered for the first time his new "SORGHUM POP"—a cross between the best of our common American sweet corns and the drought-resisting and hardy "Goose-neck" Kaffir Corn.

It has proved an astounding success everywhere, growing sturdily, and on almost any land that will raise anything, producing an enormous number of kernels to the ear, and filling each kernel out perfectly.

We are offering this pop again this year. You will find it early, uniform and the best popping corn known. It pops out pure white and very sweet and, as Mr. Burbank said: "It pops with a whirlwind of vehemence!"

LUTHER BURBANK'S NEW SORGHUM POP—*Packet, 15 cents; ounce, 20 cents; pound 75 cents; five pounds, postpaid, \$2.50; ten pounds, postpaid, \$4*

## ARTICHOKES

*The New Hybrids*

One of Luther Burbank's outstanding contributions to the vegetable garden was the Burbank Hybrid Artichokes. They produce heads of enormous size, larger than any ever before seen, in greatest quantity and of superior quality. These new artichokes often produce on good soil lavender-blue flowers three or four feet in circumference. Nothing to equal them has ever been grown. Why grow the ancient kinds?

ARTICHOKES (*The New Hybrids*)—Packet, 25 cents; three, 50 cents; ounce, \$1.50; pound, \$5



### ARTICHOKE

*Mammoth Crimson*

The buds of this variety are of a beautiful dark crimson color throughout with charming recurved petals like a half opened pond lily but fifty times as large. The quality is also superior as a table vegetable. This seed will not produce the exact variety, which must be increased by division, but some will come true or nearly so from seed.

ARTICHOKE (*Mammoth Crimson*)—Packet, 25 cents

### A NEW ARTICHOKE

*The Burbank Perpetual*

Artichokes were experimented with by Mr. Burbank for more than twenty-five years to produce more productive plants bearing larger and more delicious "globes." This was a long and expensive work, but several new, greatly improved varieties have been offered from time to time.

All artichokes heretofore known bear only a few weeks. At last a variety has

*A Good Artichoke*  
been produced which bears throughout the year—a "Perpetual Artichoke"—enormously productive of superior globes. Thus this delicious vegetable, which has so rapidly come into favor in America, can be obtained fresh at all times throughout the year. This wonderful new variety was first distributed during March, 1922.

These hybrid artichokes do not come true from seed, but all the seedlings are good, most of them extra good, and once in a while a great prize is produced like this wonderful perpetual or perhaps even better.

A NEW ARTICHOKE (*The Burbank Perpetual*)—Packet, 50 cents

## ROSY GEM RADISH

White top. Unusually quick growth, globe shape, rich scarlet color blending to pure white at the bottom. Tender and crisp. One of the very best.

ROSY GEM RADISH—Packet, 10 cents; three for 25 cents

## VICTORIA SPINACH

Thick, crimped, deep green, fleshy leaves. Remains in best condition for a long time.

VICTORIA SPINACH—Packet, 15 cents

## PARSNIP

Luther Burbank's own selection and growing of the smooth, sweet "Hollow Crown" Parsnip. The best of all.

BURBANK SELECTED PARSNIP—Packet, each 15 cents; four for 50 cents

## RUBY GEM CHIVES

A new large, handsome, red-flowering variety, beautifully adapted for borders. Both these new chives multiply rapidly and are hardy everywhere but do not reproduce exactly from seed.

RUBY GEM CHIVES—*Packet, 20 cents*

## HYBRIDIZED RHUBARB SEED

For many years extensive experiments have been carried on here for the improvement of the Rhubarb. From crossing of the Giant Perpetual with the best European and American varieties, some remarkable giant, early and fine-flavored varieties were produced by Mr. Burbank.

This hybrid Rhubarb seed is now offered for the second time and new varieties suitable for all climates will be produced from it. Some of these seeds are producing new crimson, berry-flavored varieties far superior to any of the well-known old kinds.

HYBRIDIZED RHUBARB SEED—*Packet, 25 cents; three, 60 cents*

## A NEW PEPPER

*The Burbank*

From Mexico some twelve years ago Mr. Burbank received from a collector a pepper of great size and fine flavor.

From this by careful selection he developed the largest pepper ever grown; fruits nine inches long and four inches through with a thick sweet meat.

Without question the finest pepper—hardy, early, productive and as easily grown as any other.

A NEW PEPPER (*The Burbank*)—*Packet, 25 cents; three, 60 cents*

## MUSTARD

*Moss Curled*

A beautiful and easily grown mustard for early greens.

MUSTARD (*Moss Curled*)—*Packet, 10 cents*

## LITTLE MARVEL PEA

Selected for your garden because of its sweetness, uniform size, earliness, and bountiful production. We can guarantee you will settle on this pea, no matter what your past experiences, once you plant it.

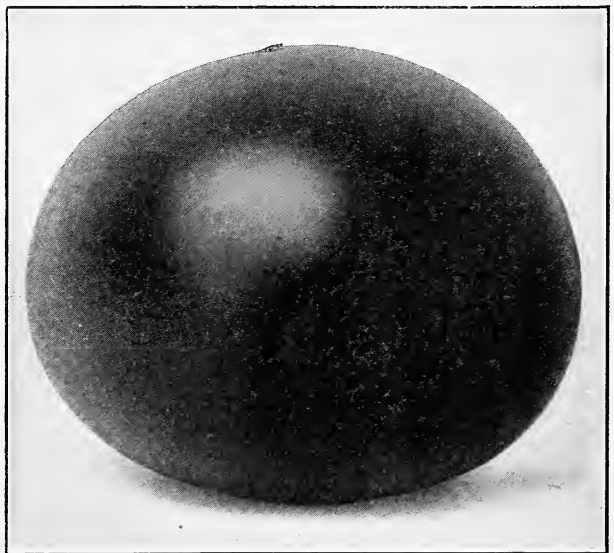
PEA (*Little Marvel*)—*Per packet, 15 cents*

## THE BURBANK TOMATO

By far the earliest, smoothest, largest, most productive and best of all early tomatoes, THE BURBANK TOMATO has made millions of dollars for growers and promises to become the standard EARLY.

Fruit, bright crimson; thick, solid, heavy, smooth, medium to large in size, superior quality, unusually heavy and continuous bearer throughout the season; good keeper and fair shipper. The "Burbank" has one other unique and most remarkable quality which will be appreciated by those who like fresh sliced tomatoes for the table. Unlike other tomatoes, the skin peels freely from the rich, firm, sweet flesh.

THE BURBANK TOMATO — *Packet, 25 cents; three for 60 cents; ounce, \$1.25*



*Burbank Tomato*



*Iceland Cucumber*

## ICELAND CUCUMBER

Some years ago Mr. Burbank became very much interested in a small "lemon" cucumber, the seeds of which came to him from Central America. He found it of delicious flavor, but not large enough for slicing and not as hardy as could be wished for American gardens.

After years of experimentation he succeeded in getting a satisfactory cross with the common long green cucumber known to all housewives; the result was this new

ICELAND CUCUMBER—snow-white, crisp, delicious in flavor, hardy and A MOST PROLIFIC BEARER. Often he has got 300 cucumbers from one hill.

Those who have tried ICELAND CUCUMBER will use nothing else.

You should by all means put this cucumber on your order!

ICELAND CUCUMBER—*Per packet, 20 cents; three for 50 cents*

## THE SANTA ROSA TOMATO

Not quite as early as THE BURBANK, the new SANTA ROSA develops a big, strong plant, bearing enormously a rich harvest of uniform, luscious, juicy, smooth tomatoes of the highest quality.

Buyers have written scores of letters praising this seed. The tomatoes from it begin to redden in a few months and the vines continue to bear for a long time. For flavor and beauty of meat this SANTA ROSA cannot be beaten.

THE PRICES ARE PARTICULARLY ATTRACTIVE.

SANTA ROSA TOMATO—*Packet, 20 cents; ounce, 80 cents; pound, \$8*

## MOSS CURLED PARSLEY

Reselected extra fine curled. MOSS CURLED PARSLEY—*Packet, 10 cents*

## IMPERIAL CHIVES

The common, well-known chives, small onion-like plants, are hardy even in Alaska and a small plot will supply a family throughout the year. The tops are used for flavoring soups, in salads, etc. Their delicate onion flavor is prized by those who know them.

The new Imperial Chive originated by Mr. Burbank is a wonderful improvement on all those ever before grown. It was offered for the first time last year. It stands eighteen inches in height, being about twenty-five times larger than the common chives.

IMPERIAL CHIVES—*Packet, 25 cents; three, 60 cents*

## "CAPITAL" CUCUMBER

The new "Capital" Cucumber is exactly like "Iceland" in every respect except as to color, which is bright green. Very delicious and crisp.

"CAPITAL" CUCUMBER—*Packet, 20 cents*

## A NEW ASPARAGUS

### "Quality"

Many years ago Luther Burbank produced and introduced a new, large white asparagus, which excelled in flavor all others known. Even this has been greatly improved and again we offer this, the best asparagus ever grown. "Quality" produces very large, sweet, tender, snow white stalks which will be a delight to all who grow or use it. Quality Asparagus is earlier, is more productive and is more delicious than any other asparagus in the world. No other asparagus is suitable for canning. You will find that it is "not like other asparagus."

A NEW ASPARAGUS (*Quality*)—*Packet, 25 cents*

## SWEET CORN

### *The Burbank*

After eighteen years of careful selection Mr. Burbank eight years ago gave the world this new Early Sweet Corn, known throughout North America today as The Burbank.

No other sweet corn in the world produces such uniformly fat, deep, sweet kernels as this on the smallest of cobs. It is so unusually and uniformly early that it can be grown successfully where other sweet corn cannot be produced. No other sweet corn can compare with the "Burbank" for home use and is greatly prized by the best hotels and packing houses.

The "Burbank" is a surprise to those who have grown the old eight-rowed Golden Bantam. The yield will almost or quite equal that of the common field corn varieties.

SWEET CORN (*The Burbank*)—*Packet, 20 cents; ounce, 30 cents; pound, \$1.25*

## NEW SUNFLOWER

### *Prolific White*

PROLIFIC WHITE is the most remarkable and most useful sunflower ever produced; one which will supplant the older kinds and make a new record in the world of horticulture. "Prolific White" produces great single heads of purest white seeds and while growing only three feet in height, yields enormously. The foliage grows thickly on the big, short stalks, making it very inconvenient for the birds, but very convenient in a windy country and for cultivation and harvesting.

NEW SUNFLOWER (*Prolific White*)—*Packet, 20 cents; ounce, 40 cents; pound, \$3*

## HUSK TOMATO

A most unusual and interesting vegetable novelty which Mr. Burbank greatly improved because it caught his attention and pleased him personally. The small, delicious, sweet fruits are enclosed in a paper-like husk; there is nothing like it in the garden! Fine flavor, odd, very heavy bearer, AND UNEXCELLED FOR PRE-SERVING.

HUSK TOMATO, *Extra Special*—*Per packet, 25 cents*



*The Burbank Sweet Corn*

# The New \$10,000 Popcorn!

The Luther Burbank Experiment Farms take unusual pride in offering this year for the first time a novelty Mr. Burbank perfected before his illness, but did not put up for sale because he had not raised a sufficient stock.

Not half a dozen people knew of this corn. Not more than a dozen have yet seen it.

There is a supply of seed so limited that, if we were to evaluate it at its actual worth as an EXCLUSIVE NOVELTY to some seedsman who would buy a controlling right to it, it would bring \$10,000 at the lowest estimate!

Imagine a neat, tight, rather small, fat ear of corn, grown on a sturdy and hardy stalk of beautiful foliage, that pops quickly and with great vim into a big, fluffy, snow-white pompon of delicious fragrance and flavor. A better popcorn than any we know, in short.

Then imagine that ear of corn, as it comes from the field,

A BRILLIANT, GEM-LIKE DARK RED,  
FLASHING AND GLOWING, DEEP AND RICH!  
*That Is the Luther Burbank Garnet Popcorn!*

You can be the first in your vicinity to produce this remarkable novelty. A packet or two will produce enough corn so that you can next year supply your neighbors with the seed at a high price.

Or you can be one of those lucky persons who, on a cold winter's night, will bring in a big blue bowl of this GLOWING GARNET CORN, spread the coals in the fireplace, fill the popper, and presently pour into another big bowl—say a dark-blue one—a tumbling torrent of the most luscious and fluffy popcorn, for the delight of your guests.

THE SUPPLY OF THIS SEED IS SO LIMITED THAT WE CANNOT SELL MORE THAN A SMALL AMOUNT TO EACH CUSTOMER.

BURBANK GARNET POPCORN (*First time ever offered*)—Packet, \$1  
*Not more than five to each order*

## Specials!

### FINAL OFFERING OF BURBANK BARLEY

BURBANK HULL-LESS BARLEY—One of Mr. Burbank's greatest grain creations.

In the store-house where Luther Burbank kept precious seeds for his own use or for further experimentation we found a treasure that will delight farmers and growers of fine grains—a few sacks of his Hull-less Barley.

Of this barley he said:

A tremendously valuable variation from the well-known six-rowed California barley which threshes out almost snow white, clean, extra heavy and with no hull—just like plump heavy white wheat. Absolutely true to type. Enormous yielder. *The one barley for all purposes. No other barley of any kind will yield as much as this, and no other barley will be grown when this is generally known.*

It harvests as high as seventy-five sacks to the acre—the equivalent of upwards of 140 bushels!

The supply is very limited, but while it lasts, it will be sent you, postpaid, at the price noted below.

BURBANK HULL-LESS BARLEY—One pound, \$1.25

ALSO—

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**Alabama**—My bed of your Dahlia—**Montgomery** flowered zinnias are the sensation of the town. W. R. V.

**Arizona**—Three cheers for the Burbank sweet—**Globe** corn! The d—st best corn I ever put a tooth in! J. A.

**Arkansas**—The seed I got last spring produced—**Mena** marvelous flowers, especially the Dahlia. Mrs. W. J. G.

**California**—I have found the "Burbank"—**Paradise** tomato to be the best in quality as well as for earliness. B. O. C.

**Colorado**—We grew the Sunberry last season—**Denver** and were delighted with them. Are a splendid seller and fine for pies and canning. E. C. W.

**Connecticut**—The Blue Petunias are the—**Washington** most admired of any flowers I ever had. M. H. R.

**Delaware**—From now on I am a steady—**Wilmington** customer. Your Petunias and Gladioli are marvelous! S. Y.

**District of Columbia**—We have only—**Washington** a small place, but our garden is a Burbank Garden—the talk of our neighborhood. B. C.

**Florida**—The Blue Petunias are the admiration—**Tampa** of all passers-by who have never seen just that color in petunias before. Mrs. L. B. G.

**Georgia**—The Zinnias I bought of you last—**Valdosta** year were simply beautiful. M. E. C.

**Idaho**—Your Blue Petunias have created a—**Payette** sensation here. D. H. S.

**Illinois**—Your Blue Petunias are beautiful—**Macomb**—something different from anything we ever had. F. D.

**Indiana**—The Gladioli received were won—**Marion** derful. Had one fine one measuring over 5½ inches across. B. A. N.

**Iowa**—Your sweet peppers were very pro—**Ottumwa** ductive. Four plants produced at least twelve dozen peppers. A. T. G.

**Kansas**—The Blue Petunia attracts at—**Dodge City** tention from every one and is very beautiful. J. S. S.

**Kentucky**—The flowers from your—**Henderson** "Gladioli" bulbs are quite as beautiful as orchids. M. T. B.

**Louisiana**—The Annual Larkspur—**Natchitoches** bought of you far excel in size and beauty the older types which are also in bloom here. Mrs. P. T. H.

**Maine**—The Zinnias I raised from your seed—**Portland** last year were wonderful. A great joy the whole season. J. A. S.

**Maryland**—We did not know what Four—**Baltimore** O'Clocks were till yours blossomed this year. T. F. B.

**Massachusetts**—I never expect to buy—**W. Roxbury** seeds anywhere else but from you. A. B. H.

**Michigan**—The Rainbow Corn was a sur—**Copemish** prise to me. It doesn't seem possible that any one can produce such colors. L. L. M.

**Minnesota**—Two years' trial of your—**St. Charles** sweet corn "Burbank" has convinced me that it is the best to grow in this section. R. J. B.

**Mississippi**—I regret that I did not order—**Vicksburg** ALL your Gladioli. The fifty bulbs were magnificent. U. K.

**Missouri**—The Amaranthus Combustion is—**St. Joseph** certainly a sensation and is a delight to every one. A. D. T.

**Montana**—The "sweet corn" I got of you is—**Camas** wonderful. Was much pleased with all the seeds. Mrs. R. R. L.

**Nebraska**—Your "Sunberry" yielded im—**Doniphan** mensely. Mrs. F. M. S.

**Nevada**—All speak with the highest praise—**Logandale** of the flavor and tenderness of your "Quality" Asparagus. C. M. S.

**New Hampshire**—We have had fine—**Mt. Vernon** success with all your seeds. They are the best. T. G.

**New Jersey**—Your "Burbank" Peppers are—**Vineland** great in size, shape and bountiful in production. M. R.

**New Mexico**—Every one admires my—**Las Cruces** Pitajaya Cactus blooms—a novelty even in this land of cactus. B. E.

**New York**—The Shasta Daisy is one of the—**Rochester** most marvelous productions ever brought out. JAMES VICKS' SONS.

**North Carolina**—We have had re—**Lake Toxaway** markable success with both your flower and vegetable seeds. K. D.

**North Dakota**—I have had the best of luck—**Fargo** with all your seeds. H. B. DE L.

**Ohio**—Your Dahlias grew for me to seven—**Willoughby** and eight inches across, magnificent blooms. Miss B. L.

**Oklahoma**—I was more than delighted with—**Tulsa** your Zinnia seed. A. T.

**Oregon**—Your Cactus Dahlia Zinnias—**Central Point** are marvelous. M. K.

**Pennsylvania**—Your Petunias were by far—**Reading** the largest I have ever seen. Dr. J. R. G.

**Rhode Island**—I am convinced your—**Provincetown** Sorghum pop will prove the greatest popcorn known. A. K.

**South Carolina**—From your Columbine seed I—**Blair** got the most beautiful assortment of flowers I ever saw. Mrs. B. P.

**South Dakota**—The Burbank tomato is the—**Pierre** greatest in the world. E. S.

**Tennessee**—My Larkspur were beau—**Johnson City** tiful last year; also the Zinnias. Saw none finer. Mrs. D. C. C.

**Texas**—After trying thirty kinds I find Bur—**Austin** bank tomatoes the best. W. B. McC.

**Utah**—My Combustion Amaranthus is the sen—**Provo** sation of the neighborhood. E. V.

**Vermont**—The bulbs purchased from—**Montpelier** you last year were highly satisfactory—better than advertised. T. C.

**Virginia**—Your Giant Dahlia Zinnias—**Cherrydale** were the finest ever seen. L. W. H.

**Washington**—This is my third year raising—**Moab** your "Rainbow" Chard. Cannot find anything to compare with it. CAPT. F. H. M.

**West Virginia**—The flowers from your—**Wheeling** Gladioli bulbs are equal to orchids. F. T. U.

**Wisconsin**—Your poppies were more than—**Antigo** wonderful; I cut every morning for seven weeks. A. E. Z.

**Wyoming**—I am particularly well pleased—**Cheyenne** with my whole order—the first I ever sent you, but not the last! A. A.



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